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Voted, that the tenants in the houses on Moreland Place and the Murray house on Centre street be notified to vacate and that arrangements be made to sell them at auction.

Mr. Olmsted presented a plan of entrance from Elm Hill avenue to Franklin Park which was approved and refered to the City Engineer to prepare a notice in the usual form to be signed by the Chairman directing N. P. Nason to make alterations in the form and character of the work of grading Beaver street to provide for said entrance.

The hearing set for 3.30 P.M. was adjourned indefinitely at the suggestion of the petitioners, Joseph M. Wade and others, for extention of Dorchesterway from Five Corners to Upham's Corner.

At the suggestion of Mr. Sprague it was

Voted, that the Board request leave of the House of Good Shepherd to plant ivy on the fence along the Parkway.

The following was received and refered to Mr. Sprague to confer with the Mayor and Mr. Carter.

"Street Department, City Hall, Boston
September 16. 1893.

"Board of Park Commissioners, 53 State Street,

"Gentlemen:-

"As your Board has the control
" of the plantations on Commonwealth avenue,
" between the Cross-Roads and West Chester Park,
" will you be kind enough to consider the adviса-
" bility of furnishing and planting trees on the
" grass plats which have just been altered over?

"If you are also to assume the control of the
" grass plats from the Cross-Roads out towards
" Cottage Farm, I should like to have you take
" into consideration the advisability of planting
" trees on this section.

"Yours truly,
"H. A. Carter, Supt. of Streets."

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A communication was received from the City Treasurer requesting the Board to furnish the bills specified in the order of the City Council of June 7, 1893, and was referred to the Chairman to confer with Mr. Turner.

A communication was received from Kate Gannett Wells in regard to maintaining classes for gymnastic work at the Women's Gymnasium during the winter and the Secretary was directed to reply that the Board regrets that the maintenance funds will not allow it to meet the additional expense but that should she desire to bring the matter up another year, the Board hopes to be in a financial condition which would warrant the expense.

Voted, that the Water Board be requested to relay the water pipes in Beaver Street to conform to the new lines and grade of the street.

Voted, that the Water Board be requested to lay a supply pipe to the pumping station and the Engineer's house at Jamaica Pond.

Plans for a Refectory building for Franklin Park were presented by Hartwell & Richardson and it was

Voted, that the Secretary advertise for proposals for erecting the same.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge procure tree guards as recommended by the Landscape Architects in their letter of October 9th.

Voted, that the Secretary notify Clarissa A. and Clara F. Pierce that the time during which they were to be allowed to occupy their house at the corner of Prince and Pond streets cannot be extended.

Voted, that the City Treasurer be requested to pay to Nellie Donaghy, daughter of Philip Donaghy, deceased, the amount due him on the pay rolls of this Department with the consent of the other children in writing.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston, October 16, 1893.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2.30 P.M.

Present Messrs Kendrieken, and Walker. Mr. Sprague being absent from the City. Also present Messrs Jackson, Howe, and F. L. Olmsted.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

The following proposals for a shelter building for Charlestown Heights were received and refered to the Chairman to ascertain the responsibility of the parties and canvas the bids:

D. J. Donovan Sons.	Boston,	$ 24.585.00
Johnson Brothers.	Brookline,	27.064.00
Sampson, Clark & Co.	Boston.	27.815.00
Joseph Ross.	Boston.	34.475.00
William L. Miller.	Boston.	34.700.00

The following proposals for manure for the Parkway were received and the bids were rejected.

John O. Brien,	800 cords	@ $ 9.00	7200.00
H. P. Nawn.	800 "	" 9.75	7800.00

Mr. H. S. Barnath came before the Board in regard to the claim of the Heirs of Warren J. Whitney for damages for the taking of their lands for Dorchester Park. Mr. Barnath stated that they asked ten cents per foot but that in the interest of all parties he thought that a settlement could be made at eight cents per foot. He said that he thought that a jury would award them much more. The Commissioners stated that they could not accept such terms, but that they would be glad to confer with the trustee of the estate in regard to a settlement.

The Secretary was directed to inform Messrs O'Connor & White that rumors are coming to this Board about their making efforts to sub-let the work at Wood Island Park, and that if they are moving in that direction the Board will not consent to it.

City Solicitor Bailey came before the Board in regard to the case of the Jamaica Pond Ice Co.

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The Secretary stated that Assistant City Solicitor Mason had said that he thought a settlement could be made with the Badlam Heirs at seven and one half cents per foot and had expected to come before the Board in the matter to day.

The Commissioners conferred with Mr. Bailey in the matter and it was

Voted, that the City Solicitor be authorized to settle the case of the Heirs of Stephen Badlam on a basis of seven and one half cents per square foot.

Mr. John J. Kennedy and Mr. John Martin came before the Board to try and effect a settlement of the latter's claim for damages for the taking of his land and buildings for the Parkway, Muddy River.

Mr. Kennedy submitted figures of value of the property aggregating about sixty eight hundred dollars, Mr. Martin said that he would accept sixty five hundred dollars and it was

Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board passed April 30, 1890 a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land on or near Muddy River, belonging to several persons and parties whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to John Martin as appears by said act there be awarded and paid to the said John Martin the sum of sixty five hundred dollars upon his proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

A report in writing was received from Mr. Sprague on the Dorchester Park matter and was refered to Mr. Olmsted.

Mr. Sprague reported in writing that the Mayor wishes the Board to maintain control of the planting

spaces between West Chester Park and Beacon Street and that he has notified Mr. Carter that this Department has no authority to plant and care for the plots beyond the Cross Roads. It was thereupon

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to plant the spaces between Hurlbut Street and Beacon Street.

A communication from the Superintendent of Streets to the Mayor in regard to this Department assuming charge of Commonwealth Avenue from Arlington Street, and refered by him to this Department through Mr. Sprague was received and it was

Voted, that the Board considers it inexpedient to assume control of the Avenue at present.

The Engineer in Charge was requested to ascertain if the Contractors will not pay Mrs. Joseph Nickerson for bill of Robert R. Rose for damage done to her green house by blasting in the Parkway.

Sergeant Murphy's suggestion that the long police club be dispensed with was rejected and his request to be allowed to wear a special uniform when riding a bicycle was refered to the Landscape Architects.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to build a wall at the Arboretum corner Centre and Walter streets.

The claim of Perkins & White for additional compensation under their contract for filling at Marine Park owing to the excessive settlement of the filling was refered to the Chairman to confer with them as to a settlement of their claim on a basis of sixty one hundred and twenty dollars.

The Secretary stated that he had had an invitation to visit the World's Fair, and it was

Voted, that the Secretary be allowed two weeks' leave of absence.

Mr. Olmsted presented a preliminary plan for a shelter and tool house on the Parkway near Berner Street dated October 16, 1893, which was approved and it was.

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Voted, That the Landscape Architects confer with Shepley Rutan & Coolidge to procure plans for the same.

The following was received read and placed on file.

"Chicago, October, 10. 1893.

"To the Hon. Park Commissioners.

Boston, Mass. Gentlemen:

"At the last regular meeting of the "World's Fair Commission of the North American "Turnerbund the following resolutions were "passed unanimously, and the Secretary in- "structed to forward the same to your honor- "able body.

"Whereas the Honorable Park Commissioners "of Boston, at our request, have given orders "for the preparation of a fine landscape model "& photographs of the open air gymnasium of "Boston, and

"Whereas this excellent model has gratuitously "been placed in our hands for exhibition at the "Turnerbund's department at the World's Fair,-

"Be it resolved:

"That the World's Fair Commission & the N. A. "Turnerbund express to the Honorable Park Commissioners "of Boston our extreme obligations and due appre- "ciation for the presentation of this excellent model, "which not only has attracted the attention of "thousands of our visitors, but called out their undivided "praise and admiration;

"Further resolved: That we express to the Hon- "orable Board our sincere thanks for the kind assis- "tance they have rendered us in the pursuit of our "aim of promoting the cause of physical culture "in this country.

"On behalf of the World's Fair Commission of the N. "Am. Turnerbund, I remain, Yours very respectfully.

"Henry Harting, Secy."

Messrs Shepley, Rutan & Coolidge submitted plan of Longwood Ave. Bridge

Geo. F. Clarke, Sec'y

Boston, October, 23. 1890.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2.30 P.M.

Present messrs Kendrick, and Walker. Mr. Sprague being absent from the city; also present messrs Jackson, Howe and F. L. Olmsted. Later His Honor the Mayor, accompanied by messrs Cutler and Mc. Laughlin of the Street department visited the Board, to confer with it in reference to future work on the Parkway.

Voted, that Charles G. Lawrence be appointed Secretary pro tempore during the absence of the Secretary.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

The following proposals were received and publicly opened and read.

Canvass of bids received for building Bridle Path Bridge, near Audubon road.

William L. Miller. . .	$ 44.445.
Walter E. Sampson,	41, 971.
Jones & Meehan,	34, 600.
Johnson Brothers,	32, 300.

Canvass of Bids for surfacing roads and walks between Tremont and Perkins streets.

(a) 20,000 sq. yds. Drives.

(b) 20,000 sq. yds. Walks.

	H. P. Nawn.	Doherty & O'Leary. Boston.	James Killian.	Thos. F. Maney & Co.
a.	.87 17.400	.69 13.800.	1.10 22.000.	.80 16.000.
b.	.87 17.400	.45 9.000.	.60 12.000	.60 12.000.
	$ 34.800	$ 22,800	$ 34.000	$ 28.000

	David Hall.	Neil Mc. Bride.	Moulton & O'Mahony.
a.	.80 16.000	1.27 25.400.	.60 12.000.
b.	.62 12.400	.60 12.000.	.35 7.000
	$ 28.400	$ 37.400	$ 19.000

Canvass of Bids received for erection of Buildings at Wood Island Park.

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	Field House. Tile roof.	Bathing House. Slate roof.	Copper roof.	Canvas roof.
Joseph Ross.	3. $17.435.	3. $16.290	1. $2.800.	1. $2.440.
J. Robbins & Co.	5. 19.061.	5. 18.261.	4. 3.387.	5. 3.157.
Edw. Lynch.	2. 17.267.	1. 15.392.	5. 3.450.	4. 3.075.
Frame & McPherson.	4. 18.976.	4. 16.297.	3. 3.340.	3. 2.920.
Chas. H. Dodge.	1. 16.605.	2. 15.805.	2. 2.831.	2. 2.705.
Danl. M. O'Connell.	6. 21.200.	6. 20.800.	6. 3.482.	6. 3.300.

The bids were taken under advisement, subsequently it was

Voted, that the bids for surfacing roads and walks between Fremont and Perkins streets be rejected.

Voted, that the bid of messrs Johnson Brothers for building the "Riddle Path Bridge" on the parkway near Audubon Road for the sum of thirty two thousand three hundred dollars be accepted and the contract awarded them and that the Chairman be authorized to canvass and approve the names of bondsmen offered by them.

Voted, that the amount of bond required under said contract be fixed at eleven thousand dollars.

Voted, that the bid of Charles H. Dodge for building the Field House with tile roof, at Franklin Park for the sum of sixteen thousand six hundred and five dollars be accepted and the contract awarded him, and that the Chairman be authorized to canvass and approve the names of his bondsmen.

Voted, that the amount of bonds required under said contract be fixed at fifty five hundred dollars.

Voted, that the bid of Joseph Ross for building the Bathing House with copper roof at Franklin Park for the sum of twenty eight hundred dollars be accepted and the contract awarded him, and that the Chairman be authorized to canvass and approve the names of bondsmen, and that the amount of bond

required be fixed at one thousand dollars.

The Chairman reported that he had inquired into the standing of Messrs D. J. Donovans Sons, and found them to be responsible parties whereupon it was

Voted, that the contract for building Shelter at Charlestown Heights be awarded to D. J. Donovans Sons for the sum of twenty four thousand five hundred and eighty five dollars, and that the Chairman be authorized to canvass and approve the names submitted by them for bondsmen.

Voted, that permission be given to George Wright and others, to play the game of Golf in Franklin Park for one year from November 9. 1893, subject to the general supervision of the Sergeant of Police, and provided also that the game shall be played on grounds arranged so as not to cross walks or drives.

Voted, that the care and maintenance of the plantation on the top of Bussey Hill be transferred to Prof. Sargent and that the sum of two hundred dollars be allowed him to replant it.

The following was received.

" Boston, October 13. 1893.

" To the Park Commissioners, City of Boston.

" Gentlemen, We respectfully ask your
" Honorable Body for Five Thousand dollars of the
" Reserve money held by you on our First Park
" Contract. Respectfully,

Moulton & O'Mahoney."

and it was

Voted, that five thousand dollars of the amount held in reserve, under the conditions of their contract be paid to Messrs. Moulton & O'Mahoney.

The following was received.

" City Hall. Oct. 18. 1893.

" Board of Park Commissioners.

" Gentlemen; The tiling of the "Shelter"

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" at Franklin Park is completed and was perfect
" this morning when visited by my representative.
" Great injury to the building is done by careless
" blasting and the Contractor can no longer be held
" responsible for the work. I enclose a letter from him
" in regard to the matter; also a certificate for final
" payment on account of his contract.

" Yours truly Edmund M. Wheelwright
City Architect."

The Chairman stated that the final estimate for roofing Shelter at Franklin Park had been presented to him for his signature, but that he had refused to sign it because he was not at all satisfied with the work.

On motion of Genl. Walker it was

Voted, to refer the matter to Mr. Olmsted.

The Mayor stated that he had purchased for the city at a very reasonable sum, all the vases on the New York Columbian building and that if the Park Commissioners wanted any, they had better make an early application for them. On motion of Genl. Walker it was

Voted, that the matter be referred to Mr. Olmsted.

Voted, that Mr. Howe be authorized to purchase as wanted, stone for the Roadways from Brookline Avenue to Fremont Street.

Voted, that such work on Jamaicaway as the Engineer in Charge may deem desirable be done by the Street Department.

Voted, to grade Chestnut Street from the town boundary to Perkins Street.

Voted, to surface Brookline Avenue at its intersection with the Parkway.

Voted, that the Chairman write the contractor for the foot bridges on Muddy River, near Perner Street complaining of delay in the work.

Voted, that the Water Board be requested to lay about twelve hundred and fifty feet of six inch pipe and erect two stand pipes in Jamaicaway.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge have the Cellars

filled in the Weld Park district Arboreway.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge procure bids for grading Arboreway between Centre and South streets

Voted, that the Chairman notify messrs Saucier Brother's to do additional grading on the easterly side of Pond Street under article I. of their contract.

Voted, that the City Treasurer be requested to pay John J. Craig the sum of two dollars being the balance due his father John Craig deceased on pay roll of November 6 1890.

A petition was received from Henry J. Green for permission to maintain a stand for public carriage at the corner of Charlesgate East and Beacon street. The petition was referred to Sergeant Murphy to report whether the permits for hack stands heretofore granted at the Back Bay Fens are being used.

The Secretary stated that Mr. O. Connor of O'Connor & White called to say that they had no intention of sub-letting their contract at Wood Island Park and that the report to that effect was without foundation.

A report was received from the Landscape Architects recommending that at the suggestion of Sergeant Murphy that he be permitted to wear a special uniform when riding a bicycle be put in effect sufficiently to give it a fair trial, and it was

Voted, that the recommendation be adopted.

Chas. G. Lawrence,
Secy pro Tem.

Boston, October 30. 1893.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2.30 P.M.

Present messrs Kendricken, Walker and Sprague.

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Also present His Honor the Mayor; The Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent of Streets, and Messrs Jackson, Howe and J. C. Olmsted.

A conference was held with the Mayor and Superintendent of Streets in regard to procuring broken stone for the Parkways during the ensuing winter with a view of concurrent action by which the Street Department should supply the Park Department with stone from its crushers.

Mr. Carter offered to supply such stone as was needed for one dollar and ninety cents per ton. It was estimated by the Engineers that about ten thousand tons would be required above what the Department could produces.

The following proposals for building a Refectory at Franklin Park were received and publicly opened and read.

Henry H. Hunt,	West Newton,	73.535.00
W.S. & G.N. Miller.	Boston.	79.750.00
John French.	Dorchester.	85.775.00
W.L. Clark & Co.	Boston.	77.472.00
W.L. Rutan.	"	79.300.00
O'Connor & White.	"	89.447.00
Walter S. Sampson.	"	93.800.00
Thomas J. Lyons.	"	86.400.00
D. J. Donovan Sons.	"	86.891.00
George L. Baker.	"	76.380.00
H. P. Cummings & Co.	Ware Mass.	79.356.00
Edward Lynch,	Boston.	80.700.00
Joseph Ross.	"	93.400.00
W.H. Reyes & Co.	So. Boston.	84.739.00

Messrs D.L.M. Tower and Thomas J. Gargan representing Messrs May and Weitman came before the Board to ask for an equitable adjustment of the betterment assessed upon their estate on Jamaicaway. They claimed that no betterment should be enforced owing to the circumstances under which they originally deeded the land for the parkway and the hardship caused by the subsequent taking and the low award made by the jury under rulings by the Court favorable

to the City. They offered to place any restrictions on their land desired by the city if relieved of the betterment. The matter was laid over until the Commissioners could confer with the Corporation Counsel.

Mr. Woodward Emery representing Charles Weltin presented the following petition:

"To the Honorable the Board of Park Commissioners
" of the City of Boston.

"Your petitioner Charles Weltin
" complains that by virtue of Chapter 180 of the Acts of
" 1875 your Honorable Board by an order dated April
" 29, 1892. has taken and located as and for a public
" park a parcel of land being the northwest corner of
" the intersection of Washington and Morton streets
" containing 29.100 square feet, more or less: That at
" the time of said taking the parcel was owned by Samuel
" and Augustus B. Bradstreet, but that it was possessed
" and occupied by your petitioner as tenant of said
" Bradstreet, That your petitioner had erected
" green houses on the premises and there carried on
" the business of a florist. That said taking has
" deprived him of his property and ruined his business,
" wherefore he prays that his damages may be assessed
" and determined. By his attorney,

Woodward Emery."

Mr. Emery stated the facts in the case and called upon Mr. Weltin who said that his first lease was for fifteen years, the second one for five years, the last one was indefinite owing to the liability of the land being taken by the city. He had an oral promise of a lease as long as he wanted it. He said that it would cost to put up the buildings from ten thousand to fifteen thousand dollars. The pipes, boilers and fittings, glass and work hired in construction of the green houses amounted to six thousand three hundred and fifteen dollars, not including the wood work. The matter was referred to Mr. Sprague for investigation and report.

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Voted, that Mr. Sprague confer with Prof. Sargent in regard to keeping the Arboretum open after sunset.

Voted, that Walker and Kimball superintend the construction of the Charlestown Heights building and that the Chairman report as to the desirability of employing an inspector for the buildings under contract.

The Chairman reported that Perkins & White would accept seven thousand five hundred dollars in settlement of their claim for extra compensation and it was

Voted, that there be allowed and paid to Perkins & White the sum of seventy five hundred dollars in full settlement of all claims for damage and extra compensation for work done and materials furnished under their contract for filling at Marine Park dated December 10, 1890 and modified April 1st, 1892.

Voted, that there be allowed and paid to Andrew Carberry the sum of twenty five hundred dollars in full settlement of all claims for damage and extra compensation for work done and materials furnished under his contract for grading on Arborway, dated February 27, 1893.

Mr. Rowe submitted the following bids, received by him for additional grading on Arborway.

Andrew Carberry,	38 cents per cubic yard.
Rowe and Hall.	43 " " " "
Marston & O'Mahoney,	40 " for loam and 46 cents per cubic yard for gravel,

and it was

Voted, that with the consent of the Mayor a contract be made with Andrew Carberry for doing said work at the price offered by him.

Voted, that the City Engineer procure bids, without advertising, for flooring Audubon Road Bridge.

The following was received and referred to the Landscape Architects for report.

"City of Boston, Oct. 23, 1893.

"In Board of Aldermen,

"Ordered: That the Board of Park Commissioners
"be requested to report to this Board, at its next
"meeting, the estimated cost of extending Charlestown
"Park to Walnut Street, and from Bunker Hill
"street to Medford street.

"Passed. Attest: John T. Priest.

"A true copy. Asst. City Clerk."

A notice of a hearing to be given by the Committee on Claims of the City Council on petition of Thomas F. Carey, hurt in Franklin Park, December 1891. was received and refered to the Engineer in Charge.

The Secretary stated that Mr. Mason Asst. City Solicitor, had settled the Dadlam claim on the basis authorized by the Board.

A report was received from Sergeant Murphy in regard to the use being made of the permits heretofore granted for carriage stands in the Back Bay Fens and it was

Voted, that Henry J. Green be permitted until further notice to have and maintain a stand for a public carriage at the Deacon street end of Charlesgate East subject to the direction of the Sergeant of the Park Police, provided that the fares from said stand to the depots shall not exceed fifty cents.

A communication was received from Alexis H. French in regard to pushing work on the foot bridge near Chapel Station which was read and placed on file.

A communication from Park officer Edmund D. Whelan was received read and placed on file.

The Secretary stated that Messrs O'Connor & White ask that the police be maintained at Wood Island Park and it was

Voted, that the suspension of the Auxiliary Police do not include those kept on duty last winter and officers James Riley, Martin Bergen and

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George A. Durgin.

A proposal of the New Britain Architectural Terra Cotta Company for furnishing terra cotta for the Refectory at Franklin Park was received and placed on file.

Mr. Sprague submitted a report which he had received from the Landscape Architects on the subject of an approach to Dorchester Park from Codman street, which was read and laid over.

Mr. Olmsted reported that the tile roof of the Shelter at Franklin Park had not been finished in a satisfactory manner. City architect Wheelwright also stated that the roof was not satisfactory and that he had given instructions to the contractor to put the same in proper condition by cementing the tiles.

Adjourned to November 6.

Geo. F. Clarke.
Sec'y.

Boston, November 6. 1893.

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2.30 P.M.

Present Messrs Kendrichen Walker and Sprague, also present His Honor the Mayor, the Corporation Counsel, and messrs Jackson, Howe and F. L. Olmsted.

A conference was held with the Mayor on the subject of expenditures for park lands and construction and the estimates for completing the work as outlined in the last annual report of the Board.

The commissioners conferred with the corporation counsel in regard to a settlement of the May and Fleitman betterment case. At Mr. Babson's suggestion he was authorized to offer to settle the case by a reduction of the assessment to twenty five hundred dollars provided that they subject their remaining land to the restrictions set forth in the printed form of deed for the Parkway Muddy River.

A communication was received from W. G. Russell counsel for Augustus Parker in regard to the Beaver street taking and was referred to the Corporation Counsel with the request that he confer with Mr. Russell.

Mr. Olmsted submitted a report upon the order of the City Council having reference to the extension of Charlestown Heights to Walnut street which was read and placed on file.

A communication was received from the Committee on Extra Hours of the Common Council requesting certain information in regard to the number of men in the Department classified by occupation, the number who work over nine hours per day without extra compensation and the cost of so compensating them from January 1. to November 1. 1893. A report was also received from Mr. Howe, and the matter was referred to the Chairman for reply.

The following was received and refered to the Chairman for reply:

"City of Boston, In Common Council, Oct. 26. 1893.
" Ordered, that the Board of Park Commissioners be
" requested to report to the City Council what action, if
" any, they have taken towards providing dressing rooms
" at the Charlesbank Gymnasium.
" Passed. Sent up for concurrence.
" In Board of Aldermen, October 30, concurred.
" A true copy. Attest: John T. Priest, Asst. City Clerk."

A communication was received from the Sisters of the House of the Good Shepherd conveying their consent to the planting of ivy against their fence on the Parkway which was read and placed on file.

A request from Eben Bacon that the Board sell him a granite step from the Rothingham place was received and referred to the Engineer in Charge for report.

The following was received read and placed on file:

"Street Department, City Hall, Boston Nov. 4. 1893.
" Board of Park Commissioners, 53 State Street.
" Gentlemen:- In accordance with the talk that I

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" had with your commission, I have commenced
" to day sending crushed stone from the Tremont street
" Crusher to the Muddy River Parkway. The charge
" for this stone will be made at the rate of $1.90 per
" ton, and equivalent pay-rolls for the amount of stone
" furnished will be sent to you weekly. I should prefer
" to have you make some arrangement with the City
" Treasurer whereby these men will be paid at the
" Crusher, as they will then not be taken away from their
" work. Yours truly, H. H. Carter.
Supt. of Streets."

A communication was received from Sturgis & Cabot in regard to carrying the foundations of the Field House to a lower grade than shown on the plans and that they had instructed Mr. Dodge to make a bid for doing the additional work which was read and placed on file.

A communication was received from Albert A. Pope offering to teach free of charge any of the Park policemen who may desire to learn the use of the bicycle and the matter was referred to the Sergeants of Police to allow any of the officers to avail themselves of the privilege who desired.

The Chairman submitted a communication from Peabody & Stearns suggesting that the Board consider the matter of placing the Massachusetts House at Chicago in one of the Parks which was read and placed on file. The following was received read & placed on file.

" Oct. 31, 1893.

" To the Park Commissioners.

Gentlemen, I have the honor to
" report that the Women's Division of the Charles
" River Gymnasium closed ½ hr. after sunset to day.
" Total attendance from May 15 - Nov. 1. 142721.
" I will submit a detailed report later.
" Respectfully, Kate G. Wells."

Mr. Olmsted submitted a plan for grading on the Nickerson Estate bordering on the Parkway, dated

October 31. 1893, which was referred to the Engineer in Charge for an estimate of the cost of doing said work.

The Secretary stated that the City Architect had estimated approximately the cost of building the proposed house for boating and skating at Scarboro Pond at fifteen thousand dollars.

Voted, that the Water Board be requested to extend the main pipe in Tremont Hills Street to Williams Street and lay six hundred and fifty feet of six inch pipe in Franklin Park to supply Ellicott House.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge allow the men the usual time for voting at the state and municipal elections.

Voted, that the Boston Herald be permitted to reproduce the designs for the Bridges on the Riverway and the Franklin Park Refectory.

The Secretary submitted a/c. sales at auction by A. Spaulding Field of sundry houses on the Parkway amounting to twelve hundred and twenty eight $\frac{13}{100}$ dollars net, and Mr. Field who was present stated that Eben Murray wished to have the amount of four hundred and thirty dollars which was paid by him for his house returned to him and the sum offset against the damages recovered for the taking of his house and land, as was done in the Downey case. (See records June 5, 1893. Vol. 6. page 222) Mr. Murray's proposition was agreed to and the account sales were allowed for a net amount of seven hundred and ninety-eight $\frac{31}{100}$ dollars, provided that Mr. Field secure an agreement from Eben Murray similar to that in the case of M. E. Downey.

Adjourned to November 13. 2.30 P.M.

Geo. F. Clarke.
Sec'y.

Boston, November 13, 1893.

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2.30 P.M. Present messrs Kendrick-en, Walker and Sprague, also present messrs Jackson, Howe, and F.L. Olmsted. The record of the last meeting was read and approved. The following bids for planking Audubon Road bridge were received:

Josiah Shaw.	1,347.60
Thomas Keyes.	1,623.50
Wm. L. Miller.	1,459.00

and it was

Voted, that the bid of Josiah Shaw be accepted and the contract awarded to him.

Mr. George Albree representing the New England Telephone and Telegraph Co. submitted the petition of said Company and a plan, dated November 11, 1893, for the location of three poles with the wires thereon in the parkway near Brookline Avenue and the Brookline line. Mr. Albree said that a temporary location not exceeding two years was wanted to enable the company to perfect its plans for carrying its wires into Brookline either by a conduit on this route or by some other route. He said that the Brookline Selectmen had granted a temporary location for two years for the poles within the town limits on Brookline Avenue. The Commissioners agreed to a temporary location for two years from September fifth and it was

Voted, that permission be and it is hereby granted to the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts to erect and for a period of not exceeding two years from September 5, 1893, to maintain poles with the wires thereon in the park near Brookline Avenue as shown on the plan submitted by said Company, dated the eleventh day of November current and filed with its petition for this permit.

The above permit is granted subject to the following provisions and regulations.

Said Company shall keep said poles well painted and in good condition to the satisfaction of the Board of Park Commissioners; shall place the wires on said poles not less than twenty-five feet from the ground; shall keep the name of the company owning the poles distinctly painted on the cross bars used and occupied by it on said poles; shall allow the departments of the City the exclusive use of the upper cross bar and the top of each pole free of all charge for the purpose of placing wires thereon; shall not suffer or permit any other person to place or keep wires on said poles or upon the fixtures thereto affixed without permission being first obtained in writing from this Board; shall not remove any pole erected under this permit until and shall remove the location of any pole when directed by this Board so to do; and that in violation of any of the foregoing requirements said Board may remove said poles at the expense of the owner thereof.

All work under this permit shall be done to the satisfaction of the Board of Park Commissioners.

No work shall be done under this permit until said company shall furnish a bond with surety in form satisfactory to the Corporation Counsel conditioned to save the City harmless from any loss, cost or damage in any way arising from the privileges granted by this permit and any work to be done thereunder and to fulfil its obligations under the provisions of this permit.

Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board passed April 29, 1892, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land at or near Five Corners, so called, in Dorchester, belonging to several persons and parties, whereof two certain parcels of land belonged to Thomas Heywood as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said Thomas Heywood the sum of seventeen hundred dollars upon his proving title thereto

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and giving a deed for the same containing all the covenants, agreements, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of deed for the Parkway South Boston except that said restrictions are to apply only to the most southerly of his remaining lots adjoining the Parkway also an acquittance and discharge of all damages costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

A communication was sent to the City Council in answer to its request for a report of the estimated cost of extending Charlestown Boiguito to Walnut Street.

A petition was received from John Briggs for additional stone steps in front of his estate on Francis street and it was

Voted, not to grant the request.

Mr. Howe reported upon the request of Eben Bacon that the Board sell him a stone step from the Nothingham place that the Department needs the stone for its own use and it was

Voted, that the request be declined on the said ground.

Mr. Sprague reported in the matter of D. Wills claim to be reimbursed for the expenditures under his contract for grading at Wood Island Park, that as the matter was refered to him he should have to report against allowing the claim and it was

Voted, that the claim be rejected.

Mr. Sprague reported that he had investigated the claim of Charles Wellin for damages to his property by the taking of the estate of Samuel and Augustus B. Bradstreet, that in his judgment Mr. Wellin should adjust matters with the Bradstreets.

Voted that the Corporation Counsel be authorized to consent to a judgment in the Betterment petition of Max & Weilmann on the finding of an assessed

settlement of two thousand dollars without interest and without costs to either party, provided that they give an agreement satisfactory to the Corporation Counsel subjecting their remaining land to the restrictions set forth in the printed form of deed for the Parkway Muddy River.

The City Engineer was directed to request Mr. C. F. Baxter to submit a price for making a topographical survey of Dorchester Park.

Voted, that the Street Commissioners be requested to lay out the private street known as Hilledale Street west of the Shawmut Branch Railroad near Cedar Grove Station and extend the same through the city's lot to Codman Street to afford an approach to Dorchester Park from the north.

Voted, that the final estimate under the contract with D. H. Andrews for building the superstructure of Audubon Bridge be allowed and paid notwithstanding the provision in said contract allowing the Board to withhold payment thereof forty days from the completion of the work.

Voted, that the first estimate under the contract with Perkins & White dated May 17, 1893, and the second estimate under the contract with Perkins and White dated April 24, 1893, be allowed and paid notwithstanding the penality for delay in said contracts.

A communication from John Reade to the Mayor requesting that pay be allowed to James Hanlon and Patrick Healey, employees of the Park Department, for three days while attending the Grand Lyceum Union National Convention, by permission of his Honor the Mayor, came down from the Mayor's office with the request that the matter be fixed up, and it was

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge allow pay to the two men as requested by the Mayor.

The report of Thomas Hills on the valuation of estates taken for Franklin Field was received

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and placed on file.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston, November 20. 1893.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2.30 P.M.

Present Messrs Kendricken and Walker. Mr. Sprague being absent from the City; also present Mess. Jackson Howe and F. L. Olmsted.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

Alderman Flood came before the Board to request leave for a club of young men to play a game of foot ball on grounds south of the pier at Marine Park on Thanksgiving day, and the Secretary was directed to notify Sergeant Keith to permit the game as requested.

Mr. Means, President of the Citizens Association of South Boston, Mr. J. S. Dean and other members of a committee of said Association came before the Board to ask that the work of finishing the Marine Park be forwarded as rapidly as possible to make the park suitable for the use of the large number who visit it during the summer. Mr. Means said that there is no place of resort in the City that is as easily approached and as beneficial as the Marine Park, and that the Citizens Association asked the Board to do all that is possible to complete the Park at an early day. Mr. J. S. Dean followed Mr. Means and urged that the permanent buildings be erected at once to provide for the proper accommodation of the public as the present temporary arrangements have a demoralizing tendency. The character of the booths and structures permitted on Castle Island does not tend to improve the character of the park as it attracts undesirable visitors and makes the place unfit for many who would like to visit it.

Mr. A. H. French presented a plan for a fence on the chapel bridge on the Riverway prepared by Shepley Rutan and Coolidge and the matter was referred to the Landscape Architects.

A proposal was received from Mr. C. F. Baxter for making a topographical survey of Dorchester Park and adjoining territory for the sum of eleven hundred dollars and it was

Voted, that the City Engineer obtain a bid from Mr. A. H. French for doing said work.

Mr. Howe submitted an estimate of the cost of treating the slope of the bank on the Nickerson Estate as suggested by Mess. Olmsted's plan amounting to eighty four hundred and forty nine 10/100 dollars, and the matter was referred to Mr. Sprague with the request that he confer with the Corporation Counsel in regard to the matter.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to surface the walk leading to the Museum building at the Arnold Arboretum.

A communication was received from Sturgis and Cabot submitting a plan for re-arranging the bathing arrangements in the Field House at Wood Island Park, also an estimate from the contractor for additional excavation and foundations for the Field House amounting to three hundred and fifty dollars, and it was

Voted, that the changes recommended by Sturgis and Cabot in the plans for the Field House be approved and that they be authorized with the approval of the Mayor to fix the price for doing said work in conformity with the contract.

Messrs Sturgis and Cabot also submitted a preliminary bid from Adelard Pharney and John J. Mainland for the Charlestown Playground Field House, amounting to thirty eight thousand and fifteen dollars, which was placed on file.

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The following were received read and placed on file, and the Chairman was authorized to reply that the fence referred to is not on the Park grounds but is attached to the bridge structure and it is therefore in charge of the Street Department:

"City of Boston, In Common Council, Oct. 26. 1893.
"Ordered, that the Board of Park Commissioners be
"requested to replace the remaining portion of the
"wooden fence on the Leverett street side of the
"Charlesbank with a wrought iron fence.
"Passed. Sent up for concurrence. In Board of
"Aldermen, October 30, concurred. The foregoing
"order was presented to the Mayor October 31, 1893,
"and was not returned by him within ten days
"thereafter.
"A true copy. Attest: John T. Priest, Asst. City Clerk."

"City of Boston, In Common Council, Oct. 26. 1893.
"Ordered, that the Board of Park Commissioners be
"hereby requested to so improve the drinking fountains
"at the Charlesbank as to provide for the better drain-
"age of the waste water.
"Passed. Sent up for concurrence. In Board of
"Aldermen, October 30, concurred. The foregoing
"order was presented to the Mayor October 31. 1893,
"and was not returned by him within ten
"days thereafter.
"A true copy. Attest: John T. Priest, Asst. City Clerk"

A communication was received from F. A. Erickman requesting permission for a game of foot ball on the Playstead at Franklin Park on Thanksgiving day and the Secretary was directed to reply that the Board having set aside this ground for the use of the School Children does not think it expedient to grant the request and suggesting the use of Franklin Field for the proposed game.

A communication was received from Sergeant Dennis asking what disposition he shall make of wanderers and other property in his charge. Filed.

Voted, that the articles be given to some charitable Institution if the requirements of the statutes in regard to lost articles have been complied with.

A communication and the Annual report of the committee of the Massachusetts Emergency and Hygiene Association in charge of the Woman's gymnasium at Charlesbank were received and placed on file and the Secretary was directed to reply that the Board will be glad to have the committee continue in charge of the gymnasium another summer, and to engage the services of the superintendent and her assistants provided the usual appropriation is made.

A report of T. M. Drown on analysis of water from a spring on the Parkway, Muddy River was received and placed on file.

On the request of Jeremiah Mc. Braith for a hearing in regard to the charges under which he was discharged from the Park police force, and after hearing Mr. Mc. Braith the Board

Voted, that Mr. Mc. Braith be informed that charges of intoxication and neglect of duty had been made against him, and that he failed to appear at the hearing at which three officers testified that they personally observed him decidedly under the influence of liquor, consequently the Board does not see that there is any reason for re-opening the matter.

A communication from the Superintendent of Streets asking for an offer for about two hundred feet of park edge stone was received and referred to the Engineer in Charge.

A communication from E. L. Coleman asking that sign boards be placed on the Fenway was received and referred to the Engineer in Charge.

A sketch for a proposed change of plan of the building at Charlesbank to provide increased bathing arrangements was received from the City Architect and it was

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A communication was received from E. J. Spencer Special Agent General Electric Co. at Chicago offering one of the World's Fair Electric Fountains for sale and the Secretary was directed to reply that the work on our park system has not advanced far enough to render the matter of Electric fountains one which the Board cares to consider at present.

Adjourned to December 4. 2.30 P.M.

Geo. F. Clarke.
Sec'y.

Boston, December 4. 1893.

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2.30 P.M.

Present Messrs Kendrick, Walker and Sprague. Also present His Honor the Mayor and Messrs Jackson, Howe and J. C. Olmsted.

The matter of laying a water pipe from Jamaica Pond to Franklin Park for the purpose of supplying water to Scarboro' Pond and for other purposes was discussed & it was

Voted, that the Boston Water Board be requested to lay water pipes from the pumping Station at Jamaica Pond to such point in Franklin Park, near the Valley Gate, as may be selected by the City Engineer: the pipes to be of such lengths and dimensions and connected with such standpipes and other fixtures as the City Engineer may direct: said work to be begun immediately in order that it may be finished before the parkways are surfaced.

Mr. Howe reported that the Boston and Albany Railroad will fill Audubon Road at fifty four cents per cubic yard. James Killion and Neil Mc Bride submitted bids for doing the same work at forty nine and fifty cents per cubic yard respectively & it was

Voted, that the contract be awarded to James

Killian with the consent of the Mayor.

Mr. Howe submitted the following bids for building drains at Wood Island Park.

		E. F. Brigham. 3 Learned St. Dor.		David Pinnell.	
10	cu. yds. rock excavation	.01	.10	2.50	25.00
10	" " concrete masonry	.01	.10	4.00	40.00
10	" " rubble-stone do.	5.00	50.00	7.00 (+$10. extra.)	80.00
135	Lineal ft. 12" Akron pipe.	1.00	135.00	1.35	182.25
1287	" " 8" " "	1.00 =	1287.00	1.20	1544.40
1	side-gate chamber,	100.00.	100.00	150.00	150.00
7	man-holes,	35.00	245.00	35.00	270.00
		$ 1.817.20		(+$25. extra.) $	2.291.65

and it was

Voted, that the contract be awarded to E. F. Brigham.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to buy such additional loam for the parkway as may be required upon the same terms at which it is now being purchased.

Voted, that Eben Murray have permission to move his house from Weld Park across the Arboway to his lot on Goldsmith street under the supervision of the Sergeant of Police.

A communication was received from Co. K. Clapp submitting an offer from Emily E. Shephard to settle her claim for damages for land taken for the Parkway, Old Harbor, for eleven hundred and eighty eight $^{00}/_{100}$ dollars, and give the usual deed, and it was,

Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board passed April 29, 1892 a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land at or near Five Corners, so called in Dorchester belonging to several persons and parties, which of a certain parcel of land belonging to Emily E. Shephard as appears by said act there be awarded and paid to the said Emily E. Shephard the sum of eleven

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hundred and eighty-eight and 8/100 dollars, upon her proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, including all the covenants, agreements, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of Public Park Deed for the Parkway, South Boston, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment: said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

Communications were received from Charles S. Sargent and the St. Botolph Club regarding proposed memorials to Francis Parkman, which were read and it was

Voted, that Mr. Sprague prepare a reply stating in effect that the Board would deem it a very felicitous result if some memorial to Mr. Parkman, to be approved by this Board and the Art Commission, should be erected on the Parkman estate at Jamaica Pond, the grounds of which would be so treated that the whole should form a memorial to him.

An inquiry of the Board of Survey as to the probable location of a Parkway between Franklin Park and Franklin Field through lands of Calder and others was received and the Secretary was directed to reply that the Board does not contemplate the location of a parkway between Franklin Park and Franklin Field but would think it very fortunate if the Board of Survey should extend the contemplated road on the South side of Franklin Field through lands of Calder and others so as to connect with the park entrance on Canterbury street.

A notification from the Superintendent of Streets

in regard to shovelling snow from the sidewalks bordering on the parks in Charlestown was received, read and placed on file.

Copies of votes of the committee on Claims of the City Council recommending settlements in the cases of William H. Quincy and Thomas F. Carey for damage to property and personal injuries, respectively, were received, read and placed on file.

An order of the City Council authorizing the Board to select and purchase a site for a playstead in North Brighton was received, read and laid over until a subsequent meeting. The Secretary stated that Alderman Lee would like an appointment for a visit to certain land under said order.

The following was received:

"To the Honorable Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Boston.

"The undersigned respectfully petition your Honorable Board to give us at this time three thousand dollars of the amount reserved on Audubon Road bridge.

"Respectfully, Jones & Meehan."

and it was

Voted, that there be allowed and paid to Jones & Meehan three thousand dollars of the amount held in reserve under their contract for building abutments for Audubon Road bridge dated February 28, 1893, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount be charged to the appropriation for public Parks.

A notice from Woodward Emery of the surrender of premises on Morton street taken from Samuel and Augustus B. Bradstreet was received and the Secretary was directed to notify the tenants to come before the Board.

A communication from Boston Double Catch-basin

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Sewer and House Trap Co. in regard to supplying the Department with traps etc. was received and referred to Mr. Sprague to investigate the complaint set forth in said letter.

Messrs Shepley, Rutan and Coolidge submitted an estimate for constructing the Longwood Avenue bridge, and the matter was ~~read~~ referred to the City Engineer to report upon the proportion of cost which should be paid by the parties in interest.

Mr. Jackson reported on the complaint of James Swift referred to him August 15, that he has been unable to give the matter attention.

Communications from R. N. White in regard to projecting bay windows over Charlesgate West and from the Board of Survey in regard to the proposed parkway from Arnold Arboretum to Muddy Pond Woods received and already published to the Chairman were placed on file.

Mr. Sprague submitted an offer of five dollars from Dr. Ernst for several small stone slabs lying upon the old Brothingham place and at his suggestion it was

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to dispose of the stones under the offer of Dr. Ernst.

Notice of a petition for a writ of certiorari to the Supreme Court praying that the proceedings of the Board with reference to the taking and laying out of Beaver Street be quashed, signed by Russell and Putnam solicitors for Mary E. Parker having been served upon the Commissioners, the Corporation Counsel, who was present, was requested to represent the Board in the matter before the Court.

Mr. Dabson recommended that the proposition of Mr. Nickerson to release grade damages on his estate provided the City build the wall and do the grading and other work required to carry out Messrs Olmsted's plan be accepted.

Mr. George S. Curtis came before the Board and requested that the Commissioners award damages for the apple trees taken with his land and on the land

graded by the City which he valued at one hundred and fifty dollars each. The Commissioners replied that the settlement for the apple trees taken with the land could not be divided from the land damages as a whole.

General Walker brought up the matter of the proposed disposition of the Massachusetts building to be used in some way in connection with the public parks and stated that there was a balance in the state appropriation which the legislature might be willing to devote to such a purpose and on his motion it was

Voted, that the Landscape Architects report on the matter of accepting the Massachusetts Building and its location upon or near some portion of the park system for use in connection therewith.

Voted, that Mr. Jacob Edwards be permitted to enter his driveway into the parkway and use the same for access to his estate for one day.

Voted, to authorize Mr. Howe to make arrangements for blasting on the Riverway and for that purpose to purchase such material including an engine and steam drills as may be necessary to carry on said work during the winter.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to purchase stone required to run the Crusher at Back Bay during the present month.

Adjourned to December 7, at 12 M.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston, December 7, 1895, 6

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 12 John

Present messrs Kendrick, Walker and Sprague

Also present J. C. Olmsted and E. W. Howe.

Mr. Sprague reported in the matter of superseding of the Boston Double Catch Basin and commercial

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Co, that he had invited the company to send some one to confer with him in the matter at eleven o'clock to day but no one appeared. He therefore reported that after a careful examination he finds the statements made in behalf of said company by Mr. Costello do not agree with the facts and that the Department is paying a less price for the traps than the company offered to supply them for and the same price for castings as is now being paid by the street department.

Senator J. F. Fitzgerald came before the Board and stated that he thought that the wharf properties between the Fish Wharf and the Gas Company's Wharf should be taken immediately for the north end park and that subsequently the land on the other side of Commercial Street could be taken, and that sufficient money would be transferred from other appropriations to secure this land. He said that those who were opposed to the location of a stable and had prevented its being built on State Wharf thought that in justice to the American Express Co. that wharf should now be taken for park purposes but that if the Board thought best to take only to the paving wharf those whom he represented would look after the matter of securing the money required to take the Express Company's wharf later. He thought that action should not longer be delayed in the matter of taking the lands and in using the fifty thousand dollars appropriated in the bill for construction in clearing the grounds during the winter in order to afford work for men out of employment.

Subsequently the Board estimated the expenses of taking sundry lands in Ward six for a park as follows:

John C. Haynes,	179.375 sq. ft.	$ 155.100
Daniel R. Sortwell,	91.176 " "	66.400
Boston Gas Light Co.	8.833 " "	13.200
Christopher Leonard.	332 " "	500
Willard Welsh.	828 " "	1.500
Boston Gas Light Co.	2.752 " "	2.000.

Amounts Carried over.

Amount brought over.	283276 sq. ft.	$238.700
Mary Doherty, Heirs or Trustees	542 sq. ft.	2.100.
Assunta Bernetta,	518 " "	2,000.
Domenico & Maria J. Agrippino.	518 " "	1,900.
Abby A. Baring.	1090 " "	4,400.
William Dorey, Heirs.	1800 " "	3.900.
Peter Sheran, Heirs.	1100 " "	2,800
John P. Johnson,	1600 " "	3.100.
Boston Gas Light Co's	3565 " "	6,700
Agnes L. Mary A. & Peter H. Sobrich.	1100 " "	4,400
Margaret A. O'Connell,	1100 " "	4,400
Vincenzo & Anna M. De Girolamo.	430 " "	2,000
	296,659 " "	$275.900

and passed the following Act of taking:

In Board of Park Commissioners.

December 7, 1893.

The Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Boston does hereby take for a park or playground the following described parcels of land situated within the limits of the present wards six and seven of said City, and being of an assessed value not exceeding three hundred thousand dollars, namely:-

A certain parcel of land and flats, with the wharves and docks connected therewith, comprising the estates known respectively as Bartlett's North and South Wharves, Gray's Wharf, Kibley's Wharf, and Comey's Wharf and together bounded southerly on Commercial street, westerly by land and wharf of the City of Boston, formerly Atkins Wharf, northerly by the Harbor Commissioners' Line in Boston Harbor, and easterly by the land and wharf of the Fiske Wharf and Warehouse Company.

Said parcels are supposed to belong, respectively, to the following named persons, to wit;- said Bartletts North and South Wharves, and said Gray's Wharf, to John C. Haynes; said Kibley's Wharf and said Comey's Wharf to Daniel R. Sortwell.

Also a certain other parcel of land comprising the entire area bounded northerly by Commercial

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street; easterly by Jackson Avenue; southerly by Chester street; and westerly by Lime Alley; and comprising various parcels supposed to belong respectively to the Boston Gas Light Company, Christopher Leonard, Willard Welch, heirs or devisees of Mary Doherty, Rosario Varetta, Domenico and Maria D. Agnissino, Abby A. Barry, the heirs or devisees of William Dorey, the heirs or devisees of Peter Sheran, John D. Johnson, Agnes L., Mary A. and Peter F. Lobrovich, Margaret A. O'Connell and Vincenzo and Anna M. De Girolamo.

All said parcels are hereby taken under the authority of Chapter two hundred and eighty two of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-three.

Paul A. Kendricken,
(Signed:) Francis A. Walker.
Charles F. Sprague.
The Board of Park Commissioners
of the City of Boston.

Mr. Sprague reported that Professor Sargent gives his assent to the proposition to keep the Arnold Arboretum open after sunset for the present in order to give the matter a fair trial, and it was

Voted, that the rule for closing the Arnold Arboretum at sunset be suspended, and that it be closed one-half hour after sunset but said closing hour shall not be earlier than seven o'clock at all seasons of the year.

Voted, that the amount of bond required in the contract with James Killian for filling Audubon Road be fixed at seven thousand dollars and the amount of bond in the contract with E. F. Brigham for building a drain at Wood Island Park be fixed at five hundred dollars.

Voted, that the City Engineer be authorized to arrange with Mr. C. F. Baxter for a topographical survey of Dorchester Park and adjoining territory the expense thereof not to exceed fifteen dollars per acre or a gross amount of seven hundred and fifty dollars.

Mr. Howe asked for instruction in regard to shovelling snow from the street walks bordering on the park territory and it was

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge keep said walks clear.

Adjourned to December 18, at 2.30 P.M.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston, December 18. 1893.

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2.30 P.M. Present messrs Kendricken, Walker and Sprague. Also present messrs Jackson, Howe, and F. L. & J. C. Olmsted.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

Mr. John T. Wheelwright Counsel for the City Land Company came before the Board to urge that action be taken towards the laying out immediately of the proposed parkway across South Bay from the junction of East Chester Park and Swett street to the Strandway. He said that the Polish Church has purchased land from the Mc. Kechnie estate for the purpose of building a church, and that other arrangements have been made for building in the vicinity of the proposed parkway which makes it important that action towards laying out the way should be taken immediately.

He cited figures to show the amount of land which would be given for the parkway and the estimated cost of securing the remainder and said that it was a very great improvement at very small expense; and that it was a matter which would improve a section of the City which required such action for its proper development, and that the City would secure a large return in the increased land values which would result. The Commissioners

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suggested that those interested in the laying out of the proposed parkway obtain offers from those whose lands would be taken which would enable the Board to determine more accurately than at present the probable cost of laying out the proposed parkway.

Messrs Moses Williams, J. D. Braman, and John H. Stover, representing the Boston Water Power Company, came before the Board to request that it determine now the question of granting a location for an extension of the West End Electric road through Boylston Road in order that they may apply to the West End Company to include this work in their plan of operations for next year. They said that the extension of Boylston street had been determined on and that the Water Power Company was intending to fill its lands and put them in the market. The Commissioners replied that their plans contemplated the extension of the street railway through the Fens either through the Boylston Road or by an alternative route between it and the steam railroad, and that while declining to determine the question of such a location at present the Committee might state that the plans of the Board had that object in view.

Mr. Eben Murray came before the Board and stated that he had negotiated for the purchase of a lot of land from Mr. Goldsmith who had lately died, and that before he can get a deed of the land it will require the consent of the Probate Court which it is expected will take three weeks to obtain. He, therefore asked further time in which to remove his houses.

It was thereupon

Voted that Eben Murray be given thirty days time in which to complete his arrangements for removing his houses.

Messrs H. D. Sargent Jr. and T. J. Coolidge Jr. came before the Board in the matter of the taking of the land on Seaver Street. Mr. Sargent offered to sell the whole estate for sixty five cents per foot, or if the Board did not want more of the land than that already taken

but wanted restrictions placed on the remaining land then they were prepared to take sixty five cents per foot for the land taken and the additional amount which the land restricted against being built upon would figure at the same rate per foot, or about forty eight hundred dollars. The Commissioners took the offers under consideration and subsequently referred the matter to Mr. Sprague to confer with Mr. Sargent in reference to a settlement on a basis of sixty five cents for the land taken, without restrictions on the remaining land requiring buildings to be set back from the park line.

Mrs. Charles Welton came before the Board with reference to fixing the terms for the continued occupancy of the Parkway land on Morton Street for their greenhouse business. Mrs. Welton said they had been unable to agree with the Bradstreets as to the proportion of rent which should be paid to them for the land not taken. They had previously paid forty one dollars per month and taxes and there is a year's rent not paid. The Commissioners suggested that she come to some agreement with Mr. Bradstreet, and that in consideration of the hardship sustained by the necessary removal of their business they would permit her to occupy the City's land as long as possible at a nominal rental.

Mr. W. L. Smith asked leave to cut ice for Mr. C. S. Sargent on Jamaica Pond as he had been accustomed to do in the past and after consideration it was Voted, to refuse permission.

Mr. Frank J. Hannon submitted a proposition to furnish ten thousand cubic yards of filling at the Parkway, South Boston, for the sum of fifty five cents per cubic yard. Subsequently the proposition was rejected, and the Secretary was directed to notify Mr. Hannon that the Board is not prepared to expend any money on filling the Strandway at present.

The Secretary was directed to notify Messrs O'Connor & White that the time for the completion of their contract

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at Wood Island Park is drawing near, and to appear before the Board at its next meeting with reference to the progress of the work.

Plans for remodelling the North Lodge at Charlesbank, and a communication from the City Architect stating that the cost of the changes and additions to the building including lockers, plumbing and heating will approximate six thousand dollars were received, and it was

Voted, that the plans be approved and that the City Architect be authorized to advertise for proposals for doing said work.

Mr. Olmsted submitted plans for the Forest Hills Entrance to Franklin Park, and it was

Voted, that the Landscape Architects confer with Shepley, Rutan & Coolidge for the preparation of plans for the archway required at said entrance.

Mr. George S. Curtis came before the Board and presented a bill for one apple tree and a field of squashes amounting to one hundred and eighty dollars, which was laid on the table.

The following was received, read and placed on file:

"City of Boston. In Board of Aldermen.

"April 24. 1893.

" Ordered, that the City Collector be authorized to
" cancel the edgestone assessment of five hundred and
" ninety five $\frac{60}{100}$ dollars levied December 31. 1890. against
" land on 2 Street, at Marine Park, Ward 14, in
" charge of the Park Department of the City of Boston.
" The work was done under an order of the Board
" of Aldermen passed October 14, 1889.
" Passed. Sent down for concurrence. November 23 came
" up concurred. Approved by the Mayor December 5. 1893.
" A true copy. Attest: John T. Prout. Asst. City Clerk."

A communication from Uriel H. Crocker enclosing a petition requesting the interment of the bridle paths in the Parkway was received and the Secretary was directed to reply that the Board will give the matter attention when the Spring opens, and do the best it can

to carry out the recommendation of the petitioners.

The application of Fred H. Bartlow to let boats at Charlestown Playground was received and placed on file and the Secretary was directed to reply that the work at this park has not progressed far enough to warrant the establishing of a boat service at this time.

A communication from Boardman Kelly recommending Augustine Mc. Laughlin for the Park Police was received and the Secretary was directed to reply that no further appointments could be made until spring at which time he will be considered with others.

A communication was received from Rockwood Boar with reference to the claim of Senator Cameron for land taken in the name of Luther H. Dana on Woodman street and was refered to the Secretary for reply.

A communication from the Walworth Construction and Supply Company enclosing the action certificate and Insurance policy of the Hartford Steam Boiler and Insurance Co. was received and placed on file.

A communication was received from the Chairman of the Gypsy Moth Committee of the State Board of Agriculture requesting a joint meeting to consider a plan of action regarding gypsy moths found in Franklin Park, and the Secretary was directed to reply assigning January 8th. at 2.30 P.M. and this office as the time and place of such meeting.

A communication was received from Rotch & Tilden requesting information regarding fire insurance on the Ellicott House and the matter was refered to the Secretary to arrange with the contractor for both parties to cover their respective risks.

The Supt. of Parks proposal for making a topographical survey and plan of Dorchester Park and adjoining estates at the rate of fifteen dollars per acre was received and placed on file.

A communication from the Superintendent of

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Streets regarding bills for stone from the Tremont street crusher was received and referred to the Chairman for reply.

The following was received and referred to the Chairman for report:

"City of Boston. In Common Council.

"December 7. 1893.

"Ordered, that the Board of Park Commissioners be requested through His Honor the Mayor to report to the Common Council at the next meeting, if the necessary arrangements have been made at the Charlesbank Gymnasium for skating during the winter months, also to have said Gymnasium open evenings till 9.30 for public use.

"Passed in Common Council December 9. 1893.

"A true copy. Attest:- Joseph O'Kane,

"Clerk of the Common Council."

Mr. Olmsted stated that he was ready to report upon the Charlesbank extension matter, and it was

Voted, that the next regular meeting be held on Tuesday, December 26, at 2.30 P.M. and that Mr. Olmsted's report on Charlesbank extension be made a special subject for consideration at that meeting, and the Mayor be invited to be present.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston December 26. 1893.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2.30 P.M.

Present messrs Kendriken, Walker and Sprague.

Also present His Honor the Mayor and Messrs Jackson, Howe and F. L. Olmsted.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

Mr. O'Connor came before the Board and stated that they were endeavoring to carry out their contract for grading at Wood Island Park in good faith,

and that the Assistant Engineer in charge of the work would state that they had made good progress. In regard to the report that they were dealing unjustly with their men, he said that he would like to have that report investigated by the Engineer. Subsequently the Secretary was directed to notify O'Connor & White that the work is not progressing satisfactorily and that it should be prosecuted with more vigor.

The plans for carrying the street railway tracks through the Back Bay Fens were discussed with the Mayor, and the matter was referred to the City Engineer to estimate the cost of carrying the tracks through a tunnel as proposed in his plan of September 25, 1891.

Mr. Olmsted submitted the report of the Landscape Architects on the proposed extension of Charlesbank and presented plans with a number of sub-plans, making eleven drawings in all, showing alternative methods of carrying out the proposed improvement. The various propositions were discussed with the Mayor and it was,

Voted, that the Landscape Architects prepare a plan for the Charlesbank Extension on a basis of an embankment of one hundred and twenty feet outside of the present Harbor line between West Boston Bridge and the angle in said line near Otter Street, and of seventy feet outside the present Harbor line between Otter street and Charlesgate East, with such treatment at said angle and at the terminus at West Boston Bridge as circumstances and a provision for boat houses at these points would seem to require.

Voted, that the said plan when prepared by the Landscape Architects be estimated upon by the City Engineer, and when approved by the Board, be submitted to the Secretary of War for his approval.

The Board conferred with the Mayor in the matter of the North End Park taking, and it was

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Voted, that the Chairman issue notices to the owners of the lands taken for the North End Park and cause the taking to be recorded in the Suffolk Registry of Deeds.

Voted, that the City Engineer make a topographical survey of the lands taken for the North End Park.

Mr. Charles J. Page came before the Board to suggest that the course of Stony Brook through Hyde Park and West Roxbury be considered as a route for the proposed parkway to connect Muddy Pond Woods with the Boston Park System. He claimed that this plan was feasible and if carried out connected with the manner of the Muddy River Improvement it would be the most attractive route which could be selected, while occupying lands which are the least valuable for building purposes. The Commissioners agreed to take this plan under consideration so far as the route lay within the city limits.

Corporation Counsel Dabson conferred with the Board with regard to the Auditor's award of one hundred thousand dollars in the case of the Pond street property of the Jamaica Pond Ice Company, and said that he had received an offer from the Company to settle for this and the Prince street property for one hundred and ninety two thousand dollars.

Mr. Howe stated that Andrew Carberry had requested him to ask the Board for an extension of time in which to complete his contract for grading on the Arboreway, and it was

Voted, that the time for the completion of Andrew Carberry's contract for grading on the Arboreway be extended thirty days.

Mr. Howe submitted an estimate of the cost for the ensuing financial year of that portion of Park Maintenance which is under his charge, also a communication in regard to the number of electric lights required on that part of the parkway now under construction and a part of Franklin Park, which were read and placed on file. Annual estimate vote thereupon

ndebted in connection with the Mayor's Circular Letter of December 19, 1893, as follows:

Franklin Park.		
Overlook,	2 000.00	
Roads & Walks.	11.000 00	
Care of Playstead, Ellicottdale and other grass grounds.	3.500.00	
Plantations.	2.000.00	
Care of Sheep.	1.600.00	
Ellicottdale Cottage.	1.510 00	
Miscellaneous,	1.400.00	23.000.00
Arnold Arboretum.		
Care of roads and walks		4.500.00
The Parkway.		
Care of roads and walks.	12.000.	
Plantations,	4.800.	
Electric lights at The Fens	6.200.	
Miscellaneous, including repairs of buildings, care of fowls, care of Administration Building, looking after flow of water, small supplies and so forth.	3.000	26.000.00
Charlesbank.		
Men's gymnasium,	4.000.	
Care of walks and lamps.	1.200.	
Gas and Water.	500.	
Electric lighting.	1.200.	
Women's Gymnasium,	1.900.	
Plantations.	2.200.	
Pointing sea-wall,	600.	
Miscellaneous,	400.	12.000.00
Charlestown Parks.		
Care of grounds and walks.	1.000.	
Care of building.	1.000.	2.000.00
Wood Island Park.		
Plantations,	600.	
Repainting bridge and new floor,	400.	
Care of buildings.	600.	
Miscellaneous.	400.	2.000.00

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Marine Park.		
Lamp lighting and care of Pier.	1,000.	
Matron.	300.	
Water and Gas.	500.	
Plantations,	500.	
Miscellaneous.	500.	2800.00
Castle Island and Bridge.		
Care of grounds and bridge.	1,500.	
Electric lights.	1,500.	3,000.00
Franklin Field.		
Regulating flow of water,	500.	500.00
Dorchester Park.		
Care of grounds.	700	700.00
Total . .		$ 76,500.00
Pay of Park Police,		44,500.00
Office expenses,		7,500.00
		$ 128,500.00

Geo. F. Clarke Sec'y.

Boston, January 1, 1894.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2.30 P.M. Present Messrs Kendrickon, Walker and Sprague. Also Messrs Jackson, Howe and J. C. Olmsted.

Mr. Charles F. Powder representing Francis J. Ward and the estate of Sylvester L. Ward came before the Board to negotiate a settlement for land taken from their estate for Franklin Field. He presented their offer to settle for fifty five thousand dollars without betterments on their remaining land which the Board declined. Subsequently the Commissioners offered to pay forty five thousand dollars with no betterments which offer Mr. Powder said he would refer to the parties interested.

Mr. Daniel R. Sortwell came before the Board in reference to the taking of Corney's and Ripley's Wharves for the North End Park and furnished a list of

tenants and parties having goods on storage on Gomez's Wharf and stated that Pickman Wharf was vacant. He was not prepared to state a price which he would take in settlement of his damages but would consider the matter and send an offer to the Board.

Mr. Lewis Tauber came before the Board in reference to the house No. 79 Charter street upon which he had an agreement of sale from J. P. Johnson for forty eight hundred dollars upon which he had already paid nine hundred dollars. The Commissioners stated that they would have to deal with Mr. Johnson as he held the title to the estate at the time of taking.

Mr. Thomas Mc. Cullough came before the Board in reference to the claim of Assunta Baretta for damages for the taking of house No. 2. Jackson Avenue for the North End Park. He stated that he had sold the house to her for twenty eight hundred dollars and that he thought she ought to have three thousand dollars.

Mr. J. H. Gerrish and H. F. Burleigh representing the Eastern Dredging Co. came before the Board and presented a statement of gravel delivered to F. M. Welles under his contract for grading at Wood Island Park. Fifty nine hundred cubic yards that got in August and October had been measured by the Government Inspector, the balance of about four thousand yards was done in nine days in October and November and delivered in seventy five yard scows. This measurement averaged sixty six yards per scow while the Government measurement averaged sixty two yards per scow. The loss of shrinkage could not be over twenty per cent. If this is allowed it leaves at least eight thousand yards delivered on the park. Mr. Gerrish stated that their object in coming before the Board were, that they might get as much as possible for their claim against Mr. Welles for the gravel furnished, and that they might not be considered by the Board as having padded their estimate of the quantity delivered, and they desired to get

Jany 1st. 1894. themselves right in regard to the matter. The Commissioners replied that they could not deal directly with them and that the matter must be adjusted through the original Contractor.

Mr. Frank J. Hannon came before the Board and said that he wanted to make arrangements to furnish from eight to ten thousand cu. yds. of filling on the Strandway at the rate of two hundred and twenty five yds. per day. He could make a contract with the Blind Asylum for the removal of that amount of material from their land and they will not pay more than two dollars per square for its removal. He said he could make a price of thirty five cents per yard if that would be acceptable to the Board. The work would cause the employment of sixty or seventy men and a number of carts and afford relief to a number out of employment.

A communication was received from Mrs. Charles Wellin in regard to her interview with Mr. Bradstreet, and asking if the Commissioners will build green houses for them at West Roxbury, and the Secretary was directed to reply that the Board cannot build green houses for them, but would permit them to remove the green houses standing on the land taken for park purposes provided they give a release of damages satisfactory to the Law Department, On motion of Mr. Sprague it was

Voted, that the privilege to cut ice at Jamaica Pond be granted to Eben W. Read and W. L. Smith for this season provided they take the ice contiguous to the cutting made by the Jamaica Pond Ice Co.

The request of Charles H. Nichols for permission to sell refreshments on the ice at Jamaica Pond was received and it was

Voted, that Charles H. Nichols have exclusive permission to sell refreshments at Jamaica Pond for this season, under the direction of the Sergeant of Police.

A communication was received from the Secretary

of the Boston Cricket Club requesting the extension of the privileges heretofore granted to it of using ground at Franklin Field for playing cricket to cover the season of 1894, and it was

Voted, that the permission heretofore granted the Boston Cricket Club to use grounds at Franklin Field for playing cricket, be extended for the season of 1894.

A request was received from A. W. Kent for permission to exhibit an ice bicycle for one evening on Jamaica Pond and it was

Voted, that permission be granted A. W. Kent to exhibit an ice bicycle for one evening on Jamaica Pond, the exhibition to take place under the direction of the Sergeant of Police and in a corner of the pond to be selected by him.

The communications from the Superintendent of Streets in regard to the taking of land for the North End Park, and requesting the loan of wheelbarrows having been already replied to were placed on file.

A communication from the Boston Society of Natural History in regard to the establishment of Natural History Gardens in the public parks was received, read and placed on file.

The request of John Linnon to sell hockey sticks at Jamaica Pond was refused.

The Secretary was directed to notify Mr. Ralph W. Dean that the Commissioners cannot permit the old Dry Dock now at Thompson's Island to be returned to the Strandway.

Mr. Olmsted submitted a plan of the proposed addition to the Women's Gymnasium Building at Charlesbank dated November 23. 1893. and it was

Voted, that the plan be referred to Walker & Kimball, Architects of the building, to prepare working plans and estimates for making the changes suggested by the Landscape Architects.

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Mr. Olmsted also submitted a sketch showing the proposed scheme for the extension from Fort Point Bridge to the Fens, dated January 1. 1894 with typical cross sections of the same.

Adjourned to January 8. at 2.30 P.M.

Geo. F. Clarke, Secy.

Boston, January 8. 1894.

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2.30 P.M.

Present Messrs Sanderson, Walker and Sprague.

Also present His Honor the Mayor and Messrs Jackson, Howe and J. C. Olmsted.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Mayor conferred with the Commissioners in regard to several matters pertaining to the work being done on the parks, also with reference to securing the lighting of the parkways from the Back Bay Fens to and including that part of Franklin Park north of Glen Lane under the new contracts about to be made by the Lamp Department with the Electric Light Companies, and at his suggestion it was

Voted, that in case the City Council concludes an arrangement with the Electric Light Companies to include the lighting of the parks and parkways, the Board will at once provide for said lighting by laying the necessary underground cable and erecting the lamp posts.

The secretary stated that Mr. D. R. Sortwell submits an offer of one hundred and ten thousand dollars in settlement for Comey's and Ripley's Wharves, and it was

Voted, that the offer be declined.

A communication was received from Messrs. Lillan, Starr and Brigham asking if goods may remain longer on storage on Comey's Wharf, and was referred to the Secretary to ascertain the length of time they desire the goods to

remain. Mr. John C. Haynes came before the Board in regard to the taking of Bartlett's and Gray's wharves, and said that if the goods are ordered removed from the bonded warehouse that they would have to be removed at his expense. He suggested that some arrangement should be made to allow them to remain so far as possible until withdrawn by the owners. The Commissioners stated that some six weeks might be allowed for their removal and asked Mr. Haynes to facilitate the matter as far as possible.

A communication from Frank J. Hannon offering to deliver ten thousand cu. yds. of filling for the parkway South Boston at thirty five cents per cu. yd. was received and laid over until the next meeting.

The following was received and laid over on notice from Councilman Norris that he desired to see the Board in regard to the matter:

"City of Boston. In Common Council.

"January 4, 1894.

" Ordered, that the Board of Park Commissioners be
" requested to report to this Council at its next meeting
" as to the advisability of cutting down the hills between
" G and I streets, South Boston, surrounding the Thomas
" N. Hart school, and utilizing the material for
" filling in connection with Marine Park.
" Passed in Common Council January 4, 1894.
" A true copy. Attest: Joseph C. Kane.
Clerk of the Common Council."

The following was received, read and placed on file:

"City of Boston In Common Council,

December 28, 1893

" Ordered, that the Board of Park Commissioners be
" requested to cause Jamaica Pond to be kept in proper
" condition for skating, at all times possible during
" the present winter.
" Passed. Sent up for concurrence.
" In Board of Aldermen, December 30, concurred.
" A true copy. Attest: John T. Priest, Asst. City Clerk."

Jan'y. 8. 1894. Executive Circular No. 93 requesting that no expenditures be incurred during the current month except those for salaries and other absolutely necessary matters, and circular No. 94 regarding vacancies and new appointments. Also that a list of all employees drawing eight hundred dollars a year or more, with date of appointment and present residence be sent to the Mayor before January 10, were received read and placed on file, and the Secretary was directed to furnish the information desired.

A communication was received from Kate Gannett Wells regarding the proposed addition to the Women's Gymnasium and suggesting an additional story to be used as a hall for dumb-bell and other similar exercises during the winter. Also requesting that the gymnasium be opened May 1. instead of May 15, and the Secretary was directed to reply that the Architect's plans will provide for two stories to the building and that the Board approves the plan of opening the gymnasium May 1.

Mr. Sprague reported on the Mayor's proposition for the extension of the ride in Franklin Park recommending Mr. Olmsted's plan for the continuation of the ride from the Forest Hills entrance around the south and east sides of the park to Refectory Hill.

Mr. Howe submitted estimates of the cost of completing the entrance to Franklin Park at Forest Hills street, including the traffic roads and bridge at eighty five thousand dollars, and the cost of extending the ride including the three bridges according to Mr. Olmsted's plan at eighty thousand dollars. Mr. Jackson submitted an estimate of the cost of building a tunnel for street railway traffic under the Deacon entrance of the Fens according to the plan of September 25. 1891. at one hundred and twenty thousand dollars, or one hundred thousand dollars if concrete is used in place of stone masonry and the grade of the approaches is changed. The estimates were read and placed on file. Voted. That the Engineer in charge be authorized

to provide immediately temporary wooden slopes on the side of Jamaica Pond adjoining Pond street.

Voted, that the section of the Parkway extending from Fremont street to Perkins street be named Leverett Park.

Voted, that the readjustment of certain electric light poles near the ends of the Park be referred to Mr. Sprague and the Engineer in charge with full power.

Voted, that the Chairman be authorized to employ additional police on request of the Sergeants of Police when they require extra men on account of skating.

The request of John T. Sweeney and Michael H. Kilroy for permission to cart material through Agassiz and Audubon Roads from Westland Entrance for filling the flats of Wm. A. Tappan and the Aspinwall Land Co. was refused.

The Secretary stated that Francis J. and the estate of Sylvester L. Ward had accepted the Commissioners offer of settlement and it was

Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board passed May 19. 1892 a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land at or near Talbot and Blue Hill Avenues in Dorchester belonging to several persons and parties whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to Francis J. and Sylvester L. Ward, as appears by said act there be awarded and paid to the said Francis J. Ward and to Andrew J. Ward and George H. Adams, Executors under the will of Sylvester L. Ward the sum of forty five thousand dollars upon their proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same containing an agreement that the City will assume any betterments assessed upon their remaining lands on account of the laying out and construction of said park, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages costs and expenses in consequence of said taking satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the

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chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of paid payment: said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

Geo. F. Clarke, Sec'y.

Boston, January 12, 1894.

A special meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 1 P.M.
Present Messrs Kendrick, Parker and Sprague.
Also present His Honor the Mayor and Messrs Jackson and Howe, Thomas M. Babson, Corporation Counsel, and Patrick O'Shea superintendant of Lamps. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

A conference was held with regard to the lighting of the parks and parkways under the proposed new contracts for city lighting.
Also with reference to the work of construction to be undertaken this year with the balance of appropriation available therefor and a further appropriation of five hundred thousand dollars as recommended by the Mayor to the City Council, provision being made for land damage settlements already made or agreed upon.

Mr. Babson stated that he had settled the cases of the Jamaica Pond Ice Company for about one hundred and eighty six thousand dollars which was the only settlement that the Law Department had in view at present, although many cases were on the short list and liable to be soon tried.

The Mayor stated that he had received a letter from Mr. Kingsley stating that Cambridge had taken the lands on Charles River from Cottage Farm to Mt. Auburn Cemetery and at the suggestion of the Mayor it was
Voted, that the Landscape Architects be author-

ized to make plans for the improvement of the right bank of Charles River from Charles-gate to the Newton Line.

Voted, that the laying out of the ride in Franklin Park be referred to Mr. Sprague in conference with the Superintendent.

Mr. Sprague reported that the proposition made by Mr. Nickerson had become so changed by his counsel that the Corporation Counsel recommends that the Board decline to accept it. It was thereupon

Voted, to decline the proposition as it now stands, and the Secretary was directed to notify Mr. Nickerson and return the proposed agreement.

Voted, that the City Treasurer be requested to pay to Hannah Doherty, wife of Dennis D. Doherty who is temporarily insane and confined at Deer Island, the amount due him on the pay rolls of this Department.

Voted, that the final estimate of Austin Ford & Son for furnishing curbstones for the Back Bay Fens be allowed and paid notwithstanding the penalty for delay in completing the work under said contract.

It was

Voted, to convene the next meeting at the office of the State Board of Agriculture to confer with the Gypsy Moth Committee of said Board.

Messrs. Edwin W. Tilton and Thomas Atkinson came before the Board with reference to the request of John J. Sweeney and Michael H. Kilroy, for permission to cart material through the Fens for filling lands of William A. Tipton and the Atkinson Land Company, which the Board declined to grant at the last meeting. After some discussion of the matter the Board declined to reverse its former action.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston January 15, 1894.

At 2.30 P.M. the Board of Park Commissioners met at the office of the State Board of Agriculture, for a conference with the Gypsy Moth Committee of said Board in regard to the discovery of the Gypsy Moth in Franklin Park, and the action necessary to be taken in order to exterminate it.

Present Messrs Kendricken, Walker and Sprague. Also present the Secretary, and Messrs Jackson, Howe F. L. & G. E. Olmsted and W. L. Fischer.

The Gypsy Moth Committee recommended the exclusion of the public from the Overlook section of the park and the spraying of the trees and shrubs with arsenate of lead as the only alternative to destroying the shrubbery by burning.

After discussion the Board adjourned to its office for its regular meeting. Present Messrs Kendricken and Sprague. Also present Messrs Jackson, Howe and F. L. Olmsted.

Mr. Rockwood Hoar, counsel for J. Donald Cameron, came before the Board with reference to his claim for damages for land taken in the name of Luther M. Dana, in the vicinity of Arnold Arboretum.

Mr. Hoar stated that the amount of land taken was 5.077 square feet for which the commissioners had awarded ten cents per foot. He had found, however, that the land was worth at least seventeen cents per foot, at which rate Mr. Cameron would settle the case. The Commissioners offered fifteen cents which Mr. Hoar accepted, and it was

Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board passed April 29, 1891, a public Park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land at or near the Arnold Arboretum belonging to several persons and parties whereof a certain parcel of land was supposed to belong to Luther M. Dana as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to J. Donald Cameron

the sum of seven hundred and sixty-one 55/100 dollars upon his proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, cost and expenses in consequence of said taking including a release of all damages caused by the deepening of the channel of the brook running from the Arnold Arboretum to Woodman Street, or for the diversion of the brook running through his land, satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

Rosella Parrella and Mr. Thomas McCormick came before the Board with reference to her claim for damages, for the taking of the house number two Jackson avenue taken for the North End Park. She asked for an early settlement of her claim in order that she might take advantage of a favorable chance to buy another estate. She offered to sell it at three thousand dollars, the house having cost her twenty-eight hundred dollars. The Commissioners agreed to consider her offer.

Ellen M. Dorey came before the Board in reference to the taking of her house numbered seventy five Charter street for the North End Park. The lot was a large one with a good deal of back land, The front house and land cost thirty one hundred dollars. She did not know what the rear house cost but said that a Mr. Mc. Donald, a carpenter, said that it cost all of twenty-five hundred dollars. She had spent eight hundred dollars some time ago in repairing the buildings. She asked ten thousand dollars but said that she would take eight thousand dollars, which valuation would make the rents receive net about fifty per cent. The Commissioners said that they would have the houses examined with a view of getting an estimate of their value.

June 15. 1894. Vincenzo Girolamo, owner of the house on the corner of Charter street and Lime alley, came before the Board. He stated that he had purchased the house about a year ago from J. L. Bergman, for about thirty-three hundred dollars, and that he had made repairs which had brought the cost at present up to about four thousand dollars.

Woodward Emery representing Samuel and Augustus B. Bradstreet, came before the Board in reference to the damages assessed by the Board for the taking of the Bradstreet land on Marion street. He said that the City Solicitor had intimated that the award made by the Board was not necessarily final but that the case being in suit could be settled if terms could be agreed upon. He said that expert evidence would testify for the Bradstreets to the valuation of from seventy-five cents to one dollar and twenty-five cents for the land on the Washington street side of the rail-road, and from fifty cents to eighty cents for the land on South street. While not expecting a settlement on these figures he thought that they might agree upon some price between them and the offer of the Commissioners.

Mr. Howe submitted a plan for a sewer to drain the Scarboro' Pond and Ellicott dale buildings at Franklin Park which will make it necessary to build a drain through Keyes street from Forest Hills street to the existing sewer in Washington street. The Secretary was directed to refer the matter of the proposed drain in Keyes street to the Street Department as it could be used by the abutters on Keyes street who desire drainage, as well as for the purpose of draining the park buildings, and to say that the Board is willing to pay whatever sum the Street Department may consider equitable to assess upon this Department as its share of the expense of building said drain.

Mr. Howe submitted a plan for excavating the site of the Lee houses on Jamaica Pond near Pond

street as provided for in Messrs Olmsted's plan for bathing arrangements. He said that there was a shortage of eighty-five hundred cubic yards in the material required for filling the parkway between Prince and Centre streets. Ninety-five hundred yards would come out of the proposed excavation of which seventy-three hundred yards could be used for filling on the parkway.

It was thereupon

Voted, that the Chairman notify Saucier Bros. to do the excavation, according to the plan presented by the Engineer in Charge, under their contract for grading the parkway.

Voted, that John W. Bowler Superintendent of the Men's Gymnasium at Charlesbank be appointed a park police officer in connection with his present duties but without pay as such police officer.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be granted leave of absence for a few days.

Voted, that the City Solicitor be authorized to settle the suits of the Jamaica Pond Ice Company against the City of Boston, by agreeing to a judgment on the Auditor's award in the Pond street property case, and for eighteen hundred and two hundred and fifty dollars in the Prince street case, and it is further agreed in the last mentioned case, that the said Ice Company is to be allowed to occupy the ice house on Prince Street free from all claim for rent until December 1st 1894.

A communication was received from the City Architect submitting bids for the alteration of the North Lodge at Charlesbank.

A communication from the Antwerp International Exposition, calling attention to its exposition May 5. 1894, was received and placed on file.

Executive Circulars 95 and 96 refering to the Annual reports, and to the rules published in circular 53 of

Jany. 15. 1894. last year were received and placed on file.

The following communication was received.

"Boston, January 12, 1894.

"The Board of Park Commissioners, 53 State street, Boston,

"Gentlemen: We send herewith the pen and "ink drawing of the building for the aquaria at "Marine Park, City Point, which was designed by "us for the Natural History Society and approved by "them, and incorporated with the plans of Messrs "Olmsted, Olmsted & Eliot. The plans of the "building have been shown to the United States "Fish Commissioner, Gen. Marshall Mc. Donald, who "was kind enough to give them his almost unqualified "approval. As there seems no immediate prospect "of the Natural History Society being able to carry out "these plans, we have thought that you might like "to have the drawing to hang on the walls of your "office. We are, Very truly yours, Sturgis & Cabot."

The Board adjourned to January 22nd. at 2.30 P.M.

Geo. F. Clarke.
Sec'd.

Boston, January 22. 1894.

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2.30 P.M.

Present Messrs Kendricken, Walker and Sprague.

Also present Messrs Pabeon, Howe, and F. L. and J. C. Olmsted.

Mr. George S. Curtis withdrew his bill for an apple tree and a field of squashes and submitted a bill for the squashes alone which was approved.

Mr. Watson President of the East Boston Land Co. came before the Board to ask its support in having Prescott street put in order by the City. Mr. Watson said that the greater number of visitors to the park came by way of Prescott street. The Commissioners agreed to request the Street Commissioners to lay out Prescott street from

Orleans street to the Boston Revere Beach and Lynn Railroads.

Messrs F. P. Addicks and C. P. Greenough came before the Board in reference to the land taken from the Gas Light Company for the North End Park. Mr. Greenough said the land was bought between 1870 and 1872 at a cost of eighty-one thousand dollars, the buildings on the land being removed as the Company intended putting a gas holder there. Subsequently in 1880 the City took eighty-four hundred and fifty seven feet for the widening of Commercial street, for which it paid twenty-six thousand dollars, less the cost of changing the grade of Lime Alley the amount of which he did not know. He said the remainder of this lot of eighty-eight hundred and thirty three feet which is now assessed for thirteen thousand two hundred dollars was then assessed for seventeen thousand eight hundred dollars.
The area by the old plan, before the widening, was twenty four thousand eight hundred and twenty five feet which would leave sixteen thousand three hundred and sixty eight feet instead of fifteen thousand one hundred and fifty feet as it is now assessed, about twelve hundred feet being unaccounted for. Deducting the amount paid by the City the land cost, without counting interest or taxes, fifty five thousand dollars, and the least offer which they had received was three dollars per foot. They had been offered thirty thousand dollars for the Commercial street lot. They could sell to the city at the same rate.

The Commissioners took the offer under consideration.

Subsequently the matter was referred to Mr. Sprague to confer with Mr. Greenough and see if they could accept an increase of thirty three per cent above the assessed value.

Patrick J. Doherty, representing Abby A. Parry came before the Board to request a revision of the amount allowed by the Board for her estate taken for the

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North End Park. He said that a few years ago improvements had been made under a contract for thirty one hundred dollars at a cost of about thirty four hundred dollars, and that the property was assessed for the same amount after the improvement as before, and the assessment is, therefore, not reliable evidence of its value.

She has recently been offered ninety five hundred dollars which she would not take considering it worth ten thousand dollars. He called Mr. John L. Barry who stated that they bought the property in 1868 of a man named Marshall, for thirty five hundred dollars, and afterwards paid five hundred dollars for granite foundations. Six years ago they remodelled and rebuilt a house of nine rooms making it one of fifteen rooms. Mr. Doherty also called Mr. Dennis J. Lahey, who is an assessor and in the Real Estate business, who said that he had sold the adjoining estate and, in his opinion he could readily get nine thousand dollars for the property. He did not think that the assessed valuation generally represented the value of the property in the North End.

The house numbered eight Garden street, assessed for fifty five hundred dollars was sold for ten thousand three hundred and fifty dollars. Another house assessed for nineteen hundred dollars sold for three thousand dollars at auction. Mr. Flynn, an owner of property on Charter street, said that he estimated the property worth nine thousand dollars.

The Commissioners took the matter under consideration.

Councilman Cochran and others came before the Board to ask that a ground for cricket be laid out at Wood Island Park. He said that there was a cricket club in East Boston of thirty or forty members which desired to use such a ground.

The matter was refered to the Landscape Architects to see if grounds could be provided for a Cricket Crease in connection with the playground already provided for.

John L. Nichols, President Fiske Wharf and

Warehouse Company, came before the Board to ascertain whether the taking made for the North End Park included their right of way over a part of Comey's Wharf. He said that the Company was negotiating a sale of the whole of their frontage on Commercial Street and it desired to maintain the right of way above mentioned, as in the event of their making the sale it would be the only approach to their pier. He also raised the question whether the taking did not include the Wakefield property. The Commissioners said that they would refer the matter to the Law Department.

Councilman Norris and others came before the Board in reference to the City Council order requesting the Board to report as to the advisability of cutting down the hills between G and I streets, South Boston, surrounding the Thomas N. Hart School, and utilizing the material for filling in connection with Marine Park. Mr. Norris said that the work contemplated by the order would be beneficial to a great many people who needed work, and he thought that the City ought to come to the aid of these people if the filling could be done at a fair price to the City. He said the owners would pay something to have the material taken away. The land was assessed now at ten cents per foot. The adjoining land was assessed for sixty cents and the clearing of this land would increase its taxable value. The Commissioners suggested that Mr. Norris report at the next meeting what the owners would be willing to do, and requested the Engineer in Charge to estimate the quantity of material which could be obtained in this way.

The Secretary stated that Mr. A. D. McClellan, acting for Thomas W. Bicknell, had offered to settle for the land taken from Sarah A. Nixon for the parkway, Old Harbor, at the rate of seven cents per foot, and it was

Voted, that the offer be declined.

On motion of Mr. Sprague it was

Jan'y 22. 1894. Voted, that the time allowed Eben Murray for the removal of his house be extended thirty days.

On recommendation of the City Engineer it was

Voted, that the final estimate of work done under the contract with Moulton & O'Mahoney for distributing loam on the parkway, be allowed and paid notwithstanding the right reserved in said contract to defer payment for forty days from the completion of the work.

Mr. Olmsted submitted sketches of the Forest Hills Entrance to Franklin Park, and for a shelter and tool house on the Riverway, prepared by Shepley, Rutan & Coolidge, and the former was referred to the City Engineer to prepare working plans and estimates for the same.

Mr. Olmsted submitted a plan of Charlesbank from West Boston Bridge to the Back Bay Fens and a plan for a parkway from Franklin Park to Muddy Pond Woods. Also a sketch for an addition to the building at the Women's Gymnasium, Charlesbank, prepared by Walker & Kimball, which was referred to Mr. Olmsted for further consultation with the architects.

Adjourned to January 29. at 2.30 P.M.

Geo. F. Clarke, Sec'y.

Boston, January 29. 1894.

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2.30 P.M.

Present: Messrs Kendrick, Walker and Sprague.

Also present Messrs Jackson, Howe and F. L. Olmsted.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Owen, City Conveyancer, came before the Board and stated that the point raised by Mr. John L. Nichols, that the North End Park taking might be construed to include the estate, now or late, of E. L. Wakefield, Trustee, could not be maintained, as the taking on that side

was distinctly limited to Commonwealth Ave. He further stated that, in his opinion, the taking of Commonwealth Ave obliterated the right of way appurtenant to Fiske Warren, but, if there is any doubt on that point, he thought the better way to determine the question was for the Fiske Warren Corporation to bring suit for damages and if it were thought advisable the City could consent to judgment in a sum to be agreed upon, under an agreement that execution should not issue so long as the Company was permitted to use its right of way.

Mr. Edward I. Browne came before the Board to request that curbstones be set along the estate of the Brinton heirs and William G. Pinney at the Back Bay Fens. He said that the sidewalks had been curbed all round the Fens except at this point and there seemed to be no good reason for their being omitted here. The estate which he represented should be treated as well as other abutting property especially as he had dealt liberally with the City in regard to the land taken for the park. The matter was referred to the Engineer in Charge to ascertain and report what amount of curbstone on hand would be available for use here and what amount of new stone would be required to extend the curb to Brookline avenue.

Mr. Jos. L. Bergman, a real estate Broker, came before the Board to represent the case of Dominico and Maria T. Agrispino whose estate had been taken for the North End Park. He said that they were unable to collect rents from their tenants since the city had given them notice to vacate.

He had sold the estate to the present owners for three thousand dollars and they had spent about one hundred or one hundred and fifty dollars for improvements. The rentals amounted to four hundred and thirty two dollars per annum. He said that he had bought the Collison house for three thousand dollars and about three months later sold it to Vincenzo Girolamo for thirty three hundred dollars.

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He estimated the land taken to be worth three dollars per foot and upwards. Small lots, not over fifty feet deep, were worth more than deeper ones. He had bought the lot on the corner of Commercial street and Jackson Avenue for twenty five hundred dollars or about four dollars per foot. He said that the assessed valuation of all this property was low and the income large as the owners want no improvements and spend little or nothing for repairs. He gave a number of instances of sales at the North End to show that the assessed valuation was largely exceeded and in some cases more than doubled. A case in point being 15 Charter street assessed for forty five hundred dollars which sold for ten thousand dollars.

Mr. Charles Wheeler, representing the Caroline Jackson property taken for Franklin Field, came before the Board to discuss a settlement of damages, but was not prepared to make an offer.

A hearing was given to Councilmen Norris, Brown and Sullivan of South Boston, and a number of owners of clay banks on Fifth street, for the purpose of ascertaining what the owners would pay for the removal of this material to be used in filling the Strandway as suggested in the Order offered by Mr. Norris in the Common Council and referred to the Board to report upon. Mr. Howe stated that he roughly estimated that there were about seventy-five thousand cubic yards of material above the street grade. Mr. Norris repeated his argument of last week and called upon the owners of the land to be cleared to state their views.

Mr. Reardon, agent for the Blind Asylum, stated that they had about forty thousand cubic yards of surplus material on their land which they would like to have removed, and that an additional value of ten cents per square foot would be all that they would be willing to pay, which would amount to six or eight cents per cubic yard. They had paid for the land fifty seven cents per foot for seventeen thousand six hundred feet about five years ago, and twenty five cents for the re-

mainder twelve or fifteen years ago. In view of what the land had cost it would not warrant their paying a larger sum to have it cleared than twenty five hundred dollars. They might make up the difference of what it would cost to use this material above what it cost for filling at Marine Park and on the Dorchesterway. Mr. Reardon although totally blind seemed to be thoroughly conversant with the matter.

Mr. Stark said he had about five hundred squares of material and that he would pay about one dollar per square for its removal.

Mr. Desmond said he had about seventy five squares of material and would pay one dollar per square to have it removed. He had sixty five squares taken away last year for which he paid eighty seven dollars and fifty cents, and could get it removed at one dollar and fifty cents per square at any time.

After discussion the Commissioners suggested that the matter be left open until their next meeting to see if the owners could not offer further inducements for the City to undertake the work.

Messrs Jones & Meehan came before the Board to ask that they be paid the whole amount of the contract price for the Audubon Bridge abutments without deduction on account of their having used concrete instead of piles as called for in the contract. Mr. Meehan said that the concrete foundation without piles was a better job in another way and that they ought to be paid the contract price without deduction on account of the difference in cost adding whatever was due them on account of the change in plans which called for a longer bridge seat which added to the cost of the work.

The matter was referred to the City Engineer to make up the final estimate to see what the difference in cost would be.

Voted, That the final estimate under the contract with Perkins and White, dated April 24, 1893. be

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allowed and paid notwithstanding the penalty
for delay in furnishing the paving blocks at
Marine Park, under said contract.

Mr. Howe submitted plans and specifications for a foot bridge at Leverett Pond which were approved, and it was

Voted that the City Engineer advertise for proposals for building the same.

Mr. Sprague reported in the matter of land damages claimed by H. B. Sargent Jr. and estate of L. M. Sargent for land taken on Beaver street, that they were not disposed to accept the proposition of the Commissioners unless some further allowance for damages was made. It was thereupon

Voted, that Mr. Sprague be authorized to propose a settlement at the rate of seventy cents per foot for the land taken with the restrictions contained in the Muddy River deed, waiving those relating to the setting back of buildings from the street line.

At the suggestion of Mr. Sprague it was

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge take some measures to prevent the gullying of the bank on the Nickerson estate by the water from his driveway.

Mr. Sprague reported that he had conferred with the representatives of the Boston Gas Light Company, and that they had expressed a desire to settle with the city and in his opinion they would take two dollars and fifty cents per foot rather than contest the matter.

Executive Circular 97 was received and placed on file.

The following was received:

"City of Boston, In Common Council
"January 25. 1894.

" Ordered, that the Board of Park Commissioners
" be requested to report to the Common Council on
" the expediency of making arrangements at the
" Marine Park for the accommodation of skaters so
" that the large lake may be used by adults and
" the two small lakes by children.
" Passed in Common Council January 25. 1894.
" A True Copy. Attest: Joseph O'Kane, Clk. of the Common Council."

and it was

Voted, that the Chairman reply that the pools in the Marine Park are not designed for skating, and being deep and filled with salt water are considered dangerous by the Board for skating especially at this season, and that for this reason the Board does not think it expedient to make arrangements for skating as suggested by the Order.

A communication was received from the School Committee referred to this Board by the Board of Survey concerning the proposed location of a parkway to the Muddy Pond Woods through the site of the proposed Canterbury Street school which was read and referred to the Chairman for reply. (See Letter Book 5, page 43)

A petition from the Boston Zingari Cricket Club asking permission to use the Cricket Ground at Franklin Field for playing cricket was received and laid over.

The offer of George H. Walker & Co. to furnish maps of Boston and vicinity for the Annual report, the petition of Mrs. Brennihan to be appointed matron at Marine Park refectory, and the application of Burton P. Wake for permission to sell candy on Jamaica Pond were received and laid over.

The following was received.

"Art Commission, City of Boston.

"To the Honorable the Park Commissioners of the "City of Boston. Gentlemen: At a meeting "of the Art Commission for the City of Boston held "this day, I was instructed to inform you that the "Commission had considered and approved a site select- "ed by the Trustees of the John Boyle O'Reilly Memorial "Committee for the erection of a monument to John "Boyle O'Reilly from designs by Daniel C. French "and C. Howard Walker; the said site being the "triangle near the Boylston street entrance to the "Back Bay Park, bounded by Boylston Road and "the Fenway. The Commission therefore respectfully "requests your Honorable Board to set aside this triangle

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" definitely as the site for the said monument.

" Very respectfully yours,

" Boston Jany. 24. 1894. Edward Robinson. Secretary"

Mr. Olmsted stated that the Landscape Architects had selected the site in consultation with Mr. French and it was

Voted, that the site selected by the Trustees of the John Boyle O'Reilly Memorial Committee for the erection of a monument to John Boyle O'Reilly from designs by Daniel C. French and C. Howard Walker; being the triangle at the junction of Boylston Road and the Fenway in the Back Bay Fens be set aside as the site for the said monument.

Geo. H. Clarke.
Secy.

Boston, February 5. 1894.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at one P. M. Present Messrs. Kendrick, Walker & Sprague. Also present His Honor the Mayor and Messrs Jackson, Rowe and F. L. and J. C. Olmsted.

After discussion it was

Voted, to open a dump on the Strandway between K and M. streets and to pay thirty cents per per cubic yard for clean earth filling, cart measurement, delivered and levelled as directed by the Engineer in charge and that the Engineer in charge make the necessary arrangements therefor.

A Conference was held with the Mayor with regard to the work in progress and sundry new work which was desired to be undertaken the coming season.

Mr. Sprague submitted the original draft of an agreement with Mr. Nickerson which he said Mr. Nickerson was ready to sign and as the Corporation Counsel had approved it, he moved that it be accepted it was thereupon:

Voted, that the City Solicitor be authorized to agree in the case of Nickerson v. City of Boston that the defendant shall grade and support the bank of the petitioner's remaining land of the lot abutting on the parkway of said City, near Perkins street in accordance with the plans of Messrs Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot, of said lot, dated October 31, 1893, and numbered 346 and 347, on file in the office of the Park Commissioners of said City, and build the wall and culvert substantially and properly, and cover the graded portion over the banks with six inches of good loam, and plant the bank with shrubs and vines, build a fence of painted chestnut posts with four painted iron pipe rails connecting them, each of one and one-half inches in diameter, and make the gutters and all other work substantially and properly in accordance with the above mentioned plans; and it is also agreed that the petitioner shall recover as his damages in respect of said lot, only the value of his land taken therefrom and shall not recover for damages in the remaining portion of said lot.

Mr. Sprague reported that Mr. Sargent had accepted the offer of the Commissioners of seventy cents per square foot for the land taken from him, with interest from the date of taking.

It was thereupon

Voted, that whereas by an Act of this Board passed March 27, 1893, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land on Beaver street, in that part of the City of Boston which was formerly Roxbury, belonging to several persons and parties, whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to Horace B. Sargent Jr.

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and Lucius M. Sargent as appears by said Act, there be awarded and paid to the said Horace D. Sargent Jr. and T. Jefferson Coolidge Jr. Administrator of estate of Lucius M. Sargent, deceased, the sum of ten thousand five hundred and ninety seven and 12/100 dollars, on condition that said Horace D. Sargent Jr. and the heirs of said Lucius M. Sargent give a deed for the same containing all the covenants, agreements, restrictions and conditions contained in the public park deed for the Parkway, Muddy River excepting the restrictions which relate to the setting back of buildings: also upon their giving an acquittance and discharge of all damages costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor: and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

On recommendation of the Engineer in Charge it was

Voted, that the purchasing Agent be authorized to negotiate for the purchase of a steam road roller of the Averling and Porter pattern.

Voted, that Mr. Olmsted confer with Dr. D. A. Sargent for the preparation of a plan for the gymnasium at Wood Island Park.

Mr. Olmsted submitted a sketch plan for proposed new gymnasium building at Charlesbank, dated February 1. 1894. which was approved and Mr. Olmsted was authorized to confer with the City Architect to prepare plans and specifications.

Mr. Olmsted submitted plan for walls and gateway at Forest Hills Entrance to the Arnold Arboretum, dated February 5. 1894. which was approved and the Engineer in Charge was authorized to do the work by day labor.

Mr. Olmsted submitted a plan for a boating and

skating House at Jamaica Pond, and it was
Voted, that the Landscape Architects be authorized
to confer with the city Architect with reference
to procuring plans and specifications.
Mr. Olmsted also submitted a plan for laying out the North End Park, and a plan showing proposed location of the John Boyle O'Reilly monument at the junction of Boylston Road and the Avenue dated January 1, 1894.

A communication was received from M. Anagnos, Director of the Perkins Institution and Massachusetts School for the Blind, offering to pay five thousand dollars for the removal of all material from its land on East 4th., East 5th. and K streets, and the Secretary was directed to reply that the Board cannot undertake the removal of this material but has determined to offer the price of thirty cents per cubic yard, cart measurement, for material delivered on the Strandway between L and M streets, leaving the question of compensation for the removal of the material to be determined between the owners of the land and owners of teams who desire to furnish material under the terms offered.

A communication from H. H. Carter, Superintendent of Streets, concerning the practicability of building a drain in Hayes Street from Forest Hills Street to Washington Street, was received and referred to the Chairman to confer with the Mayor.

A communication from Sturgis & Babb regarding the extra cost of a change in the foundation walls of the Field House at Wood Island Park, was received, read, and laid on the table.

A communication from William D. Kent, requesting a hearing to the owners of horses desiring a soft road in the park where horses may be driven at speed, was received and laid over.

A communication from W. W. Goodwin Jr., inquiring whether the Board will join in building

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a fence between estate of H. H. Goodwin and the Arnold Arboretum and pay half of the cost of the same, was received and refered to the Engineer in Charge, to ascertain what kind of a fence was desired by the petitioners.

A Communication was received from Edward Thompson asking when Tremont Entrance will be finished and the stone crusher removed; and the Secretary was directed to notify that the Board expects the work to be finished May 1st.

The following was received:

"City of Boston, In Board of Aldermen.
January 29. 1894.

Ordered, that the City Treasurer be hereby directed to issue at his discretion, and sell either Funding bonds or registered certificates of indebtedness of the City of Boston, for the sum of one million and fifty thousand dollars: said bonds or registered certificates of indebtedness to be made payable at the office of the City Treasurer, Boston, twenty years from the date of the same, with interest thereon at the rate of four per cent, per annum, payable semi-annually, and the money received from the sale thereof, to the amount of one million and fifty thousand dollars, is hereby appropriated for the following purposes, viz:-

Primary School House, Oak Square.	$ 3.000.
Primary School House, north of Broadway	8.000.
Primary School House, Marlow Street,	9.000.
Grammar School House, Gibson District	10.000
Grammar School House, Bowdoin District Site & Building	30.000
Grammar School House, Stoughton District Site.	15.000
Grammar School House, Stoughton District Building	90.000
Austin Primary School Building.	5.000.
Agassiz Grammar School-house, etc.	9.000.
Brighton High School, building,	35.000
Eastman School-house, enlargement,	36.000
New Buildings, City Hospital.	300.000

Parks, construction of $100.000

Ordered, that any premium obtained by the said City Treasurer, in the negotiation or sale of said bonds, shall be paid to the Board of Commissioners of Sinking Funds for the redemption of the debt hereby created.

"Passed. Yeas 12. Sent down for concurrence. February 1. came up Concurred. Yeas 89. Nays none. Approved by the Mayor February 1. 1894. Certifying on the original order that the foregoing loan is not, in his opinion, to meet a current expense.

A true copy. Attest: John T. Priest.
Asst. City Clerk."

The City Engineer's estimates of cost of building the Charlesbank from Cambridge Street to The Fens were received and placed on file.

Executive circulars No. 98, and 99 were received and placed on file.

Adjourned to February 12th at 2.30 P.M.

Geo. F. Clarke
Sec'y.

Boston, February 12. 1894.

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2.30 P.M. Present Messrs Kendrickers, Walker, and Strauss. Also present Messrs Jackson, Howe and J. C. Olmsted.

Mr. F. Gordon Dexter came before the Board to confer in regard to the proposition to carry the electric cars through the Fens by a tunnel under Charlesgate West. He objected to the proposed location on the side street in front of his land as the street was narrow and upgrade which would make the cars noisy and dangerous. He would prefer the cars on Boylston Road through the Fens rather than on the side street

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unless the street could also be carried through the park by a tunnel to serve as a traffic road. The Commissioners replied that the latter plan could not be feasible, and suggested that by throwing some of his land into the street it could obviate the first objection.

Messrs John Shepherd and W. D. Hunt came before the Board to ask whether the Board had considered the laying out of a Speedway in any part of the park system, and whether some plan could not be devised to provide such a track for light harness horses. Mr. Hunt suggested a double drive to avoid danger and afford a parallel road for general driving. The Commissioners replied that no grounds now in charge of the Board were suitable, and suggested that a soft road for the purpose might be provided for in the plans for the Charles River Improvement now being prepared by the Special Commission appointed by the Legislature, or by the Water Board at the Chestnut Hill Reservoir.

Mr. George W. Macauley came before the Board in reference to obtaining rights of way for certain land fronting on the Arborway opposite the Arboretum belonging to him and others. He said that he had examined the restrictions established for the Parkway Muddy River, and that they would be onerous if applied to this land, which was in a district of small cheap houses and tenements. The neighborhood could not warrant the building of single houses costing over three thousand dollars above the land. He stated that they were willing to have the City grade back on their land to a proper slope where the cut is now being made for the traffic road. The Commissioners suggested that they make a proposition in writing containing the restrictions they desired.

Messrs John C. Cobb and John T. Wheelwright came before the Board in reference to the proposition

for a parkway over Swift Bay. He had conferred with the owners of the lands which would have to be taken but had been unable to obtain any further offers of land or satisfactory terms of settlement. They said that the Board could probably deal with the owners directly to better advantage. In answer to a question by the Chairman Mr. Cobb said that it would be impossible to get a subscription from the owners who were desirous of having the parkway carried out, as most of them were Trustees and unable to subscribe funds for such a purpose. He said he felt that he had given a great amount of time to the project which was all that he could be asked to contribute. He estimated that the expense to the City for laying out the way would not exceed forty thousand dollars. The building of the Polish Catholic Church on the McKechnie lot would probably begin about the first of March which made it desirable to have the matter definitely decided at once.

The Commissioners took the matter under Consideration.

Communications from His Honor the Mayor with reference to the appropriation for maintenance, already replied to by the Chairman; also in regard to the proposed refectory building at Franklin Park, and a conference with the Metropolitan Park Commissioners about the Muddy Pond Reservation on Friday next at 1.30 P.M. were received, read and placed on file. The Chairman's action in the first matter was approved and Mr. Sprague was requested to attend the Metropolitan Park meeting.

A report of the City Engineer giving an approximate estimate of proportional cost to the several parties in interest of building the Longwood Avenue bridge was received and the Secretary was directed to send a copy of the same and the plans of the bridge to the Brookline authorities.

A communication from Robert M. Morse

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suggesting that it would be a convenience to abutters on Pond street if the new lines were worked up to so that the fronts of their estates can be graded this spring, was received and referred to Mr. Sprague to confer with the Corporation Counsel as to the advisability of taking immediate action.

Communications from Sergeants Murphy and Dennis regarding the procuring of bicycles for the Park Police were received and the Secretary was directed to ascertain and report the expense of furnishing the bicycles suggested.

A communication from C. H. Dodge concerning the progress of work on the Field House at Wood Island Park, also a proposition for insurance made through Mr. Julius Pratt, were received and referred to the Secretary to effect the insurance at the rate stated in the proposition.

Estimates from Rotch & Tilden for plumbing and heating Ellicott House, Franklin Park, were received and referred back to them to procure bids for separate plants.

The City Engineer submitted the final estimate under the contract with Jones and Meehan for building abutments for Audubon bridge, and the Secretary was directed to notify Messrs Jones & Meehan that the Board would give them a further hearing in the matter at the next meeting if they so desired.

The application of Mrs. Joseph Haley for a stand for taking photographs at Castle Island was received and placed on file.

Voted, that the Engineer in charge be authorized to grade the bank on the estate of Joseph Nickerson according to Messrs Olmsted's plan under the agreement made at the last meeting, and to make plans and specifications for building the wall by contract.

The offer of George H. Walker & Co. to furnish maps

of Boston and vicinity for the annual report was placed on file.

The petition of Mrs. Tennihan to be appointed Matron at Marine Park refectory was placed on file, Mr. Howe stating that the present incumbent was satisfactory.

The application of Burdon P. Wake for permission to sell candy on Jamaica Pond was rejected.

Mr. Howe stated that Mr. Shaw had received offers from William C. Oastler, agent for the Aveling & Porter Steam Road Rollers, to furnish a single cylinder high pressure, roller for thirty nine hundred dollars, and a compound high and low pressure one for forty five hundred dollars. He recommended that the latter pattern be procured, also that five additional water carts be purchased.

It was thereupon,

Voted, that the purchasing Agent be authorized to purchase an 18 tons Aveling & Porter Compound High and Low Pressure Steam Road Roller and five watercarts subject to the approval of the Mayor.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to purchase six hundred cubic yards of filling for the Riverway at twenty seven cents per cubic yard, cart measurement.

Voted, that the plan for a Shelter and Tool House for the Riverway near Perner Street, submitted at the last meeting, be approved and that Shepley, Rutan & Coolidge be authorized to prepare working drawings and specifications and advertise for proposals.

A communication from Edmund M. Wheelwright, City Architect, was received containing estimates of the cost of the City Point building at fifty thousand dollars complete with piling, and five hundred bath houses (not including piling) at thirty thousand dollars.

Adjourned to Feb. 15 at 2.30 P.M.

Boston, February 15. 1894.

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2.30. P.M. Present Messrs Kendricken and Sprague, all having been duly notified. Also present Messrs Jackson, Howe, F.L. & J.C. Olmsted and Messrs Hartwell & Richardson Architects. Mr. Wheelwright City Architect was also notified but was unable to be present.

The records of the last meeting were read & approved.

A conference was held with Messrs Hartwell and Richardson in regard to modifying the plans of the Franklin Park Refectory to meet the desires of the Mayor as expressed in his letter of February ten received at the last meeting of the Board.

Messrs Tucker and Kimball, Architects, submitted plans for an addition to the Women's Lavatory building at Charlesbank, which were referred back for a change in the height of shed on the recommendation of the Engineer in Charge.

The proposition of Frank J. Hannon to furnish ten thousand cubic yards of filling on the Strandway at thirty five cents per cubic yard, was taken from the table and placed on file.

Mr. Howe submitted a plan of coking for the foot bridge over Scarboro' Pond and it was

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge invite proposals for furnishing the coking.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Secy.

Boston, February 19. 1894.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 1.30 P.M.

Present Messrs Kendricken, Walker and Sprague.

Also present Messrs E. W. Howe and J.C. Olmsted.

E. F. Loe came before the Board to say that his attention had been called, by a newspaper article,

to the fact that interesting geological specimens could be obtained in the upper valley of Muddy River, and if this were the case he would like to get some specimens for the Normal School. The Commissioners suggested that they would be glad to afford opportunity to any of the teachers to prospect the valley who desired to apply for such permission.

Mr. J. C. Melvin stated that the late Edmund Quincy had a large collection of fancy pigeons at his country seat, Isle au Haut, consisting of from 125 to 150 birds of different breeds, which the family would like to donate to the Park Department if it would undertake to properly house and care for them. The matter was referred to the Landscape Architects and the thanks of the Board were tendered through Mr. Melvin, to Mr. Quincy's family.

Mr. C. H. Gardner representing the N. E. Dredging Co. came before the Board and made a proposition to fill flats on the Strandway for two or three feet above mean low water and perhaps to a higher grade for twenty-five cents per cubic yard as measured in the scows by the Government inspectors. He said they had a contract to dredge three hundred and fifty thousand yards for the United States Government near the Brewster Spit, the material being now carried to sea. If it could be used in the City they would deliver five or six hundred yards per day. The Commissioners stated that they could not use the filling to advantage at this time, but that an offer to furnish the material at a lower price might be favorably considered.

The following bids for building a bridge at Leverett Pond were publicly opened and read:

Walter S. Sampson.	Boston.	9. 847. 77
Jones & Sheehan.	"	9. 600. 00
George M. Atkins & Co.	Palmer.	11. 900. 00
O'Connor & White.	Boston.	10. 653. 00
Leavitt Daly & Crockett.	"	9. 438. 50

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Fleming & Booth Mfg. Co.	11.475.00
Johnson Bros.	10.427.00
John Sutherland,	9.834.00
H. P. Nawn.	9.800.00
J. D. Fallon & Co.	9.300.00

Fr. Von Emperger, New York submitted a bid of fifty-eight hundred dollars for a bridge on plans of his own substituting a concrete arch with embedded iron beams in place of the brick arch. This bid not being in accordance with the plans and specifications was thrown out and the other bids were taken under advisement.

Mr. George W. Macauley and others owners of land adjoining Arborway at the Arnold Arboretum, came before the Board and submitted the following request for a modification of the restrictions adopted for parkway frontages:

"Boston, Mass. Feb. 19, 1894.

"To the Board of Park Commissioners:

"Gentlemen: — In regard to the restrictions which you ask us to put upon our land at Jamaica Plain, bordering on the new traffic street at the Arnold Arboretum, we think after considering the matter, that the location of the land and the adjoining property is such that it would be difficult for us to dispose of our land under these restrictions, and respectfully ask that they may be modified as follows:

"That the houses shall set back not less than twenty feet from the front line.

"That no single house shall be built to cost less than three thousand dollars, or a double house to cost less than forty five hundred dollars.

"Yours respectfully, George W. Macauley
Dawson Johnson.
E. K. Brown, for D.J."

After some discussion the Commissioners took the matter under advisement and subsequently

Voted, that the Board will accept an agreement containing a modification of restrictions to be imposed upon the land of George W. Macauley and others adjoining Arborway, reducing the reserved space to twenty feet and the cost of wooden houses to four thousand dollars.

Messrs Jones & Meehan came before the Board to confer in regard to Mr. Howe's statement of work done and materials furnished under their contract for building Audubon bridge abutments. They stated that Mr. Howe had fixed too high a price on the piles and some of the other work not done, and too low a price on the extra work done. Mr. Meehan said that they had had an offer to drive the piles for one dollar each, also that so far as the item of filling was concerned they had moved the material once in making the excavation and the contract did not require them to handle it over again. They submitted an estimate of the amount which should be allowed them for extra work and the amount which should be deducted for work not done, showing a difference in their favor of three hundred and fifty eight $\frac{59}{100}$ dollars. They claimed that the plans had been changed against their protest before signing the contract without giving them opportunity to figure on the extra cost, and in view of the low price at which they had taken the contract they should have a fair allowance made to them on account of the change in the plans. Subsequently it was

Voted, to offer Jones & Meehan a settlement on a basis of an addition of four hundred dollars to the Engineer's estimate.

An offer was received from Perkins & White to deliver dredged material on the Strandway at twenty-five cents per cubic yard, and the matter was referred to the Engineer in Charge to confer with Perkins and White and consult the Board of Harbor Commissioners as to the quality of the material which it was proposed

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A notice from the Committee on Streets and Sewers of the Board of Aldermen of a hearing at four o'clock P. M. on the petition of the Brookline Gas Light Company for leave to lay a conduit in the roadway on Brookline Avenue opposite the entrance to the park, and requesting that some one be sent to represent the Board, was received and Mr. Howe was requested to attend the hearing.

The Secretary stated that the City Collector was preparing to advertise for the sale of real estate for unpaid betterments on Old Harbor and Muddy River Parkways, and that there were some bills for betterments which had been assumed by the Department in the settlement of land damages but which had not been withdrawn from the City Collector by vote of the Board as required. It was thereupon

Voted, that the bill for betterment assessments on lot numbered forty seven on assessment plan for the Parkway, Muddy River, in Roxbury, amounting to nine thousand three hundred and forty-five dollars, and assessed to House of the Good Shepherd be withdrawn from the City Collector, said betterment assessment having been assumed by the City by vote of this Board under Chapter 226 of the acts of the year 1884.

Voted, that the bill for betterment assessment on lot numbered forty-two on assessment plan for the Parkway, Muddy River, in Roxbury, amounting to two thousand dollars, and assessed to Rosina Leukhardt be withdrawn from the City Collector, said betterment assessment having been assumed by the City by vote of this Board under Chapter 226 of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-four.

Voted, that the bill for betterment assessment on lot numbered fifty on assessment plan for the Parkway, Muddy River, in Roxbury, amounting to five hundred and seventy-two

dollars, and assessed to John Prendergast, be withdrawn from the City Collector, said betterment assessment having been assumed by the City by vote of this Board under Chapter 226 of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty four.

Voted, that the bill for betterment assessment on lot numbered two hundred and thirty on assessment plan for the Parkway, South Boston, amounting to one hundred and ninety-seven dollars, and assessed to Augustus C. Richmond and the Hallowell Granite Company be withdrawn from the City Collector, said betterment assessment having been assumed by the City by vote of this Board under Chapter 226 of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty four.

A second petition was received from the Zingari Cricket Club for permission to play cricket on Franklin Field and the matter was refered to the Engineer in Charge to confer with the Secretaries of the two clubs desiring to use the Field with a view to their coming to some agreement for a joint occupancy of the grounds.

Mr. Sprague stated that Mr. Horace G. Allen, counsel for Mr. A. G. Van Nostrand, had handed him a bill of the Street Department for Mr. Van Nostrand's proportion of the cost of building a sewer in Alford street with the request that the Board pay the same owing to its having deprived him of a private right of drainage through the Mill Pond. The Secretary was directed to return the bill with the statement that the Board denies its responsibility for the interference with his drainage or the payment of the bill.

Mr. Olmsted submitted a grading plan for the North West side of Jamaica Pond, dated February 16. 1894.

Adjourned to February 26 at 2.30 P.M.

Geo. R. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston, February 26. 1894.

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2.30. P.M. Present Messrs Kendricken and Sprague, all having been duly notified.

Also present Messrs E. W. Howe and J. C. Olmsted Mr. C. J. Page submitted a plan for a parkway from Muddy Pond Woods following the line of Stony Brook through Hyde Park connecting with messrs Olmsted's plan of proposed parkway from Franklin Park to Muddy Pond Woods. The Commissioners suggested that he get the Hyde Park authorities to make a survey of the proposed route with a view to their laying out their part of the parkway, in conjunction with the parkway to be laid out by the city, should this plan be determined on.

Mr. H. S. Carruth, Secretary of the Metropolitan Park Commissioners, came before the Board to confer in regard to the proposed Stony Brook Reservation at Muddy Pond Woods and a connecting parkway to the Boston Park system. Mr. Carruth submitted the following vote of the Metropolitan Park Board and copy of the memorandum referred to:

"Voted, That this Board instruct its Secretary and "engineers to confer with His Honor Mayor Matthews "and the Boston Park Board, and to prepare plans "for ~~for~~ the taking of so much of the land from Mother "Brook to Bellevue Hill and thence towards the Arnold "Arboretum (indicated by the accompanying memo- "randum furnished by His Honor Mayor Matthews "and said Boston Park Board and by the plan "entitled Sketch of Parkway from Arnold Arboretum "to Blue Hills - No. 22. O.O.& E. February 16. 1894.) as "may cost not exceeding one hundred and fifty "thousand dollars; and that the sum is hereby set "aside for this purpose

Memorandum.

"1. Voted, To take immediately all land as shown

" on O. O. & E.'s plan between Mother Brook and Wash-
" ington Street.
" 2. Also some land about Mt. Bellevue water tower
" and between it and Washington Street.
" 3. To appropriate one hundred and fifty thousand
" dollars for these lands and a connecting parkway
" to the Arboretum or Franklin Park as far as the
" money will allow.
" 4. This way to be laid out as agreed by the Com-
" missioners and the Boston Park Commissioners.
" 5. The Commissioners to take as far towards the
" Arboretum as one hundred and fifty thousand dollars
" is estimated, after conference with the owners, to go.
" The City to take the rest and build roads from the
" Arboretum to the Hyde Park line and maintain them."

Mr. Barrett asked that he be furnished with detailed plans of the proposed parkways in order that he might confer with the land owners, and it was

Voted, that the Landscape Architects be requested to furnish the plans desired by the Metropolitan Park Commissioners.

Senator J. F. Fitzgerald came before the Board and presented the following:

" Commonwealth of Massachusetts.
" Senate Chamber, Boston February 26. 1894.
" To the Board of Park Commissioners,
" of the City of Boston.
" Gentlemen: — At the suggestion of
" Senator Fitzgerald, I have the honor to inform you
" that petitions of R. J. Greene and others for the
" suspension of further proceedings in connection
" with the proposed North End Park in the City of
" Boston, together with certain resolutions relating
" to the same subject, were, on Friday last, referred
" by the Senate, under its rule, to the next General
" Court, no bill embodying the legislation prayed
" for having been presented. I remain, gentlemen,
" Yours very truly, Henry D. Coolidge, Clerk."

Feby. 26. 1894. Mr. Fitzgerald urged that early action be taken to clear the land and proceed with the work of constructing the North End Park.

Mr. Sprague reported that he had conferred with the Corporation Counsel on the subject of the suggestion of Robert M. Morse that it would be a convenience to abuttors on Pond street if the new lines were worked up to, so that the fronts of their estates can be graded this spring, and that the Corporation Counsel had replied that we could not compromise our case by doing the work suggested by Mr. Morse. The Secretary was thereupon directed to reply to Mr. Morse that when Spring opens and the weather permits, the Board will proceed with the work of grading as suggested by him.

Mr. Howe reported the length of curb required to connect the present curb on the Fenway with that on Brookline Avenue, in front of land of Edward I. Browne Trustee, and others, at nine hundred and fifty one linear feet.

The Secretary was thereupon directed to notify Mr. Browne that to put in this curb will cost about two thousand dollars, and it seems to the Board an unnecessary expense to incur at present, especially while the adjoining land remains unfilled and unsuited for building purposes, and that when the land is filled in and made available the Board will act favorably in the matter of the curbstone.

Voted, that the contract for building a foot bridge over Leverett Pond be awarded to J. D. Fallon & Co. and the amount of bond required be fixed at three thousand dollars, and that the Chairman be authorized to canvass and approve the names submitted for bondsmen.

Mr. Howe reported that he had conferred with the Secretaries of the Zingari and Boston Cricket Clubs

and that he had been unable to effect a compromise looking to a division of the available days for playing matches on the Franklin Field grounds as the Boston Cricket Club had already arranged matches with other clubs covering most of the available days. The Secretary was directed to obtain from the Zingari Cricket Club a list of its members.

The Landscape Architects reported that it would be feasible and in their opinion desirable to undertake the care of the pigeons which the family of the late Edmund Quincy has offered to donate to the Park Department, but that it might be found undesirable to continue the breeding of fancy pigeons after trial for a year or two. It was thereupon Voted, that the Secretary convey to Mr. Quincy's family the report of the Landscape Architects, and to say that if the pigeons are given without restrictions the Board will accept them.

A communication was received from Edward J. Jenkins regarding claim of F. A. Quincy for damages caused by an overflow of water from Franklin Park, and was referred to the Superintendent of Streets, the cause of damage as stated in the claim of Mr. Quincy being the insufficiency of the brook outlet between Blue Hill avenue and Harvard Street.

Estimates were submitted by Rotch & Tilden for plumbing and heating Ellicott House as follows:

" February 23. 1894.

" To the Park Commissioners,

" Gentlemen. Separating as you suggest
" the heating from the plumbing at Ellicott Dale
" Cottage we have estimates for plumbing:

" Bosworth & French.	$ 1.405.00
" Henry Hussey & Co.	1.619.00
" F. H. Duggan.	1.340.00

" and for heating as before reported:

" Walker & Pratt Manufacturing Co.	$ 561.00
" Smith & Anthony.	429.00

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" Mr. Dodge the general contractor estimates
" his extra work on account of this plumbing and
" heating at fifty-five dollars. ($55.00)
" Yours respectfully " Potch & Tilden."

and it was

Voted, that the lowest bids be accepted if in accordance with the Architects' specifications.

A communication from the Mayors office of Columbus Ohio, requesting information regarding cost of laying out a floral promenade was received and refered to the Secretary for reply.

A communication from Singer & Co. requesting the privilege of figuring on cycles for the park police was received and refered to the Secretary with instructions to have the Police Sergeants examine their cycles and obtain prices.

A communication was received from Olmsted, Olmsted & Eliot enclosing copy of a letter from Dr. Sargent containing a proposition to supervise the furnishing and erection of gymnastic apparatus for Wood Island Park for one hundred and fifty dollars and it was

Voted, that Dr. Sargent's proposition be accepted.

The communication from Sturgis & Cabot regarding a change in the foundations of the Field House at Wood Island Park, increasing the cost to the contractor was taken from the table and indefinitely postponed.

The following was received; Messrs Jones & Meehan being present.

" Jamaica Plain, Feb. 22. 1894.

" To the Chairman Board of Park Commissioners.

" Dear Sir:- We understand that your Board has
" made us an award of four hundred dollars ($400) in
" excess of the figures made by your Engineer, or
" $2,478.86 less than the contract price for the Audubon
" Road bridge abutments. We wish to say that we
" are not satisfied with this and if you will favor

" us with another opportunity we will produce
" evidence to show that your Engineer's estimates of
" the value of extra work, and of work not done, is
" made in the interest of the City of Boston and with-
" out much regard for the rights of the Contractors
" Very respectfully, " Jones & Meehan."

and consideration of the matter was deferred until the next meeting owing to the absence of Com. Parker and the City Engineer.

The following was received and referred to the Engineer in Charge:

" City of Boston, Office of the Mayor.
February 20. 1894.

" To the Board of Park Commissioners.

Gentlemen:- I have signed the
" contract to day with the Boston Electric Light
" Company, and I write to suggest that you direct
" Mr. Howe to confer with the Superintendent of
" Lamps and lay out a scheme for lighting the
" Parkway, so that a contract can be made for
" construction as soon as possible.

" Yours very truly, N. Matthews Jr. per M."

The request of Collins & Ham that the Board pay to them a part of the percentage held back on their contract to the amount of fifteen hundred dollars, was received and it was

Voted, that Collins & Ham be allowed and paid the sum of twelve hundred dollars held in reserve under their contract for filling.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge close the Charlesbank Gymnasium for the rest of the season.

Voted, that the hours for the regular meetings of the Board hereafter be fixed at 2. P.M.

An offer was received from the New England Dredging Company to deliver dredged material on the Strandway for twenty cents per cubic yard measured in scows, and it was laid on

Feb. 26. 1894. the table pending an investigation by the Engineer in Charge as to the desirability of using such filling.

Adjourned to March 5 at 2. P. M.

Geo. F. Clarke.
Sec'y.

Boston, March 5. 1894.

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2. P. M.

Present messrs Kendricken, Walker and Sprague.

Also present His Honor the Mayor and Messrs Jackson, Howe and J. C. Olmsted.

Messrs Hartwell and Richardson submitted new plans for the Franklin Park Refectory prepared by them after consultation with the City Architect, being changed from the original designs in many particulars in accordance with his suggestions and those of the Landscape Architects.

Messrs Jones and Meehan with Mr. Horace Sias came before the Board in reference to their controversy with the City Engineer in regard to the price for certain work which had not been done under their contract for building Audubon Bridge abutments and certain extra work done under said contract.

Mr. Sias stated that he had agreed with Jones & Meehan to drive the piles, as called for under the contract for one dollar each, and that he now had a contract for driving piles eight feet long at ninety cents each.

The matter was then laid on the table until the next meeting.

Mr. Stephen Moxom applied for a permit to occupy twenty feet in width of the Fenway adjoining lots 21-23 during the erection of two houses for H. & L. Rosenbaum, and it was

Voted, that a permit be granted under the usual conditions.

The Mayor called the attention of the Commissioners to a report in the Transcript that Mr. Pillsbury had appeared before the Committee on Cities on the bill appropriating one million dollars for Park purposes, and had stated in reference to the proposition that Commonwealth Avenue be placed in charge of the Park Commissioners, that "the Park "Commissioners have expressed a desire to secure "control of the avenue, but have hesitated from "doing so for the reason that the funds at their "disposal were inadequate. They have said "that if they could secure the money for which they "have petitioned they could have no hesitation in "taking charge of the avenue."

The Chairman was authorized to write to Senator Sanger of the Committee on Cities stating that there must have been some mistake in the mind of Mr. Pillsbury in relation to the assumed position of the Park Commissioners in the matter, as the expense of fitting up Commonwealth Avenue has not been included in the work which would be done by the Board if the appropriation of one million dollars should be granted. The Board had not taken any action in the matter of Commonwealth Avenue and therefore could not have expressed a willingness to take charge of the avenue.

The following order, with accompanying petitions, also the communication of A. E. Pillsbury in relation to the same matter, were received, read, and laid on the table.

"City of Boston, In Board of Aldermen.
"February 26, 1894.

"Ordered, that the Board of Aldermen, with the "approval of His honor the Mayor, hereby consents to "the selection and taking by the Board of Park Com- "missioners, under Chapter three hundred of the Acts "of the year 1893, for the purposes of that Act, of "that part of Commonwealth avenue lying between

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" Arlington Street and its intersection with Beacon
" Street: the same being a public street leading to
" that part of the park system known as the Back
" Bay Fens, and the consent in writing of the owners
" of more than a majority of the frontage of the lots
" and lands abutting on that part of said avenue
" having been obtained therefor, as appears by their
" petitions for such taking now before the Board.
" Passed. Approved by the Mayor February 28, 1894.
" A true copy. Attest: John T. Priest.
Asst. City Clerk."

Mr. Howe's estimate of the cost of maintaining Commonwealth Avenue, also estimates and report concerning dredging and filling at Marine Park and the Strandway were received, read and placed on file:

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge prepare plans and specifications for filling the southerly point of Marine Park.

Voted, that the selection of the sites of electric lights on the parkway and Franklin Park be referred to Messrs Olmsted and Howe and that the Engineer in Charge prepare plans and specifications for laying an under ground cable and erecting the lamp posts immediately.

Mr. Howe submitted communications from John W. Fowler, Superintendent of Charlesbank Gymnasium, asking for increase of salary to fifteen hundred dollars and a commendatory letter from Dr. D. A. Sargent.

The matter of increase of salary was left for future action and it was

Voted, that the Superintendent's salary be continued while the gymnasium is closed.

The application of Charles H. Nichols for permission to keep row boats for hire on Jamaica Pond was received and it was

Voted, that permission be granted to Charles H. Nichols to keep row boats for hire on Jamaica Pond provided that he keeps his boats in better condition and

furnish better service than that of last season.

Notice of the expiration of the insurance on the Overlook Building at Franklin Park was received and referred to the Secretary to ascertain terms for its renewal.

The following was received, read and placed on file; and it was

Voted, that the Chairman acknowledge its receipt.

"The Boston Associated Board of Trade.

"Boston, February 28. 1894.

"To the Park Commissioners of the City of Boston.

"Gentlemen: I am requested to send
"you the following resolution which was unanimous-
"ly adopted at the last meeting of this Board.

"Resolved,- That the Boston Associated Board
"of Trade believes that the City of Boston cannot
"afford to take any of the water front below bridges
"in the City proper for park purposes, to the further
"reduction of our now limited wharfage accommo-
"dations: and that this Association requests the
"Park Commissioners to reconsider their acts, whereby
"they have taken wharf properties at the North End
"of this City for park purposes, and requests that
"they take such action as may enable them to return
"said wharf properties to commercial use.

"Respectfully yours, William H. Sayward, Secretary."

The following vote of notice was passed and the Secretary was directed to advertise it according to law:

City of Boston.

In Board of Park Commissioners

March 5. 1894.

Whereas, pursuant to the authority conferred by Chapter 185 of the Acts of the year 1870 this Board did, by two certain Acts, passed respectively April 29. 1892. and December 20. 1892, locate and lay out a public park or parks in that part of the City of Boston, called West Roxbury, as shown on plans at this office at an expense of $499.092.62 it is therefore hereby voted that

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Adams. Louisa M.
Adams. Ella C.
Adams. Susan P
Amory. Charles B.
Atkinson. Annie N.
Bigelow. Abraham O. Heirs of
Burge. Charlotte L.
Balch. Eunice A.
(Wm. Minot Jr. Trustee for)
Balch. F. V. Trustee
Balch. F. V.
Balch. Agnes L.
Brewer. Chas. Heirs of
Brewer. Edward M.
Brewer. Joseph
Brewer. Eliza
Rice. Nannie R. Guardian.
Bacon. Robert } Trustees.
Welch. Francis C. }
Bacon. Eben
Bates. Edward S.
Brady. Patrick J.
Bradstreet. Samuel
Bradstreet. Augustus D.
Boston & Prov. Railroad Corporation.
Brigham. Henry R. Heirs of
Bowditch Real Estate Trust.
Barard. Susan L.
Bonney. Emma W.
Bradley. Benjamin estate
Brown. Edwin N.
Curtis. Nathaniel Heirs of
Curtis. George C.
Curtis. Joseph H. estate
Curtis. Nathaniel P.
Cleveland. Sarah P.
Thorndike. S. L. } Trustees for
Gardiner. Chas. P. } S. P. Cleveland
Perkins. E. N. }

Conboy. John
Carter. Isabella M.
Chesley. Sarah S.
Colburn. Allen
Cutter. Mary E.
Cain. Thomas F.
Croft. Ephraim
Downes. Martha L.
Derens. Richard.
Downes. Francis H.
Downey. Martin C.
Devine. Margaret
Duplain. Louise
English. James S.
Ellis. Alice M.
Ernst. Jeanie B.
Fitzgerald. Michael J.
Farrington. Charles F.
Flanders. Delia P.
Fletcher. Jon. V.
Franklin Savings Bank.
Gorham James L.
Greene. Emily
Gill. Mary S.
Goodwin. W. H.
Goldsmith. Geo. W. Heirs
Glennon. John
Goodwin. Michael
Gelpke. Emma
Gibson. John F.
Goddard. Elijah W.
Hall. Elvin D.
Howland. Abbie E.
Hutchins. Mary C.
Harrington. M. Josephine

Homes. Wm. H.
Homes. Mary S.
Horsey. Irene G.
Henderson. Eliza J.
Hammond. Daniel estate.
Holden. Katherine H.
Institution for Savings in Roxbury.
Johnson. Frances S.
James. Sarah L.
James Wm. E.
James. Ann M. & Ellen.
Johnson. Ada
Johnson. Dawson
Keyes. Carlton
Lee. Mabel M.
Leatherbee. Sarah A.
Lyons. Edward D.
Laflin. Trust Fund.
Morse. Anne Elizabeth
Morse. Robert M.
Miller. Charles H.
Miller. William J.
Mechanics Savings Bk. of Lowell.
Manger. William E.
Meehan. Patrick
May. Theresa
Murray. Eben
Marsh. Reuben
Mc. Dermott. Patrick Heirs
Mc. Carty. T. W.
Mc. Kernan. John
Mc. Cauley. Mary M.
Mc. Laren. Mary A.
Munroe. Martha A.
Mc. Donald. Michael
Minot. Wm. Jr. Trustee
Morton. Michael S.
Morman. Wm. A.

Macauley. George W.
New York. N. Haven & Hartford R.R.
Norcross Phoebe A.
Norcross. Laura
Norcross. Otis
O'Donnell. Annie
Perkins. Frances D. } Trustees estate of Chas. H. Perkins.
Perkins. Edward G. }
Prew. Henry
Paine. R. T. Trustee.
Page. Baily L.
Peters. Andrew J.
Prouty. Lizzie V.
Payson. Lizzie N.
Penhallow. Charles S.
Rooney. William
Robinson. Josiah S. Heirs.
Rice. Eliza G.
Ring. William H.
Ring. Rose
Reynolds. Frank W. Trustee.
Reardon. Patrick
Reardon. Ellen M.
Russell. Joseph G.
Spaulding. Ann M.
Schmidt. Helene P.
Sampson. Erastus B.
Studley. Rebecca P.
Shaw. Joseph P.
Smith. Edward M.
Smith. Edward G.
Smith. P. B. et als.
Suffolk Savings Bank.
Saint Stephens Bank.
Seavens. Abijah estate.
Balch. F. V. and Seavens. G. W. } Trustees.
Small. Arabella

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Shaw. Quincy A.
Shea. Julia
Sargent. Henriella S. Heirs.
Stanton. Michael
Seaver. Jacob W.
Seaver. Sarah A.
Ticknor. Benj. H. Trustee.
Ticknor. Wm. D. heirs.
Tiffany. Wm. L.
Tremont National Bank.
Vossler. Adele
Weber. Fredk. E. Estate.
Bryant. John D. } Trustees
Wise. Danl. P. } of
Kramer. Otto. }
Wing. Clifton E.
Wing. Charles H.
Wing. Chas. H. et.als. Trustees.
Wing. Emeline
Weld. Wm. G.
Weed. Otis H.
Ward. Patrick
Weld. Franklin Trustee
Williams. Henry D.
Williams. Hetty B.
Williams. Ruth
Clark. Benj. C. } Guardians of
Weld. Otis E. } Ruth Williams
Williams. E. H. estate
Bryant. John D. } Trustees
Sweetser. S. H. } of
Williams. Moses estate
Case. J. B. } Trustees
Williams. Moses } of
Welsh. Willard
West Roxbury Co-operative Bank

and all other persons and parties owning or having any rights in estates that will be benefited by the said locating and laying out of the said park or parks, that this Board intends to assess a portion of the expense thereof upon the estates so benefited, according to law: and that Wednesday, the twenty-eighth day of March, at 2 o'clock P.M. and the Park Commissioners office, 509 Exchange Building, No. 53 State street, in said Boston, are assigned as the time and place for hearing any objections which may be made to said assessment.

Voted, that the usual notice be issued to owners of teams for their employment in park work.

Communications from Sergeants Murphy and Dennis regarding the procuring of bicycles for the park police were received and it was

Voted, that the Purchasing Agent procure eight Columbia bicycles for the use of the Park police.

Adjourned to March 12 at 2 P.M.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Secy.

Boston, March 17, 1894.

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2. P.M.
Present Messrs. Kendricken, Walker and Sprague.
Also present His Honor the Mayor and messrs Jackson, Howe and J. C. Olmsted.

The Board conferred with Mr. Richardson and the City Architect in regard to the plan for the Franklin Park Refectory and it was

Voted, that the plans be approved and that the Architects prepare specifications and advertise for bids as soon as practicable.

The Board gave a hearing to the owners of estates on Commonwealth Avenue in regard to the petition that the avenue be taken by the Park Commissioners under Chapter 300 of the Acts of 1893. The petitioners were represented by A. E. Pillsbury who stated in answer to the suggestion that the Board could hardly be expected to undertake the care of Commonwealth avenue unless an appropriation were made for that purpose, that in his view the taking of the avenue ought not to stand or fall according to the amount of money now or hereafter available, and in reply to the objection which has been raised that it is inexpedient to incorporate streets into the park system, said that the act authorizing the taking of Commonwealth Avenue did not contemplate adding it to the park system. The power of the Board under the statute is to take streets that lead to the park, and Commonwealth avenue is to be taken merely to connect the park system with other parts of the city. The act does not contemplate the taking of it for general park purposes or in any way to make it a part of the park system, but merely gives the Board control of the avenue. This is evident from the fact that no provision is made for land damages,

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as would be the case if it were to be made part of the park. Further, if any thing should occur by which the streets so taken should not be necessary for park purposes, they would then revert to the City or town, and the Commissioners would lose their control over them. The Commissioners merely have the right to care for the street and improve it, one half of the cost of inbanking it to be paid by the abutters, and there is no obligation on the part of the Commissioners to expend money for such care if they have not got it to do it with. There are many reasons why this avenue should pass under the control of the Commissioners one of which is that heavy teaming which now tends to keep it out of repair could be excluded. There should be no hesitancy on the part of the Commissioners to take this important street on account of the expense because the residents would be the most important allies in seeing to it that sufficient appropriations were granted by the City Council. They would, of course, expect that great improvements would be made, and that the avenue would be put in the condition that is so imperatively required.

The Chairman said that the cutting down of their appropriation twenty thousand dollars had made it difficult for them to meet the demands that are already made on them, and it would be injudicious to assume any greater burdens. Mr. Pillsbury said that the petitioners would not expect any great expenditures at first, and that when the avenue is once taken, there would be no difficulty in getting all the necessary appropriations from the City Government until then the City is required to take care of the avenue and keep it in repair as now.

On answer to a question by Genl. Walker that if the Street Department takes another view of it, and declines to take care of the avenue, and an accident occurs, to what appropriation would such damages be

charged. Mr. Pillsbury replied that in that case the City would be liable, but that it would not necessarily come out of the Park appropriation, but from some appropriation provided for such contingencies.

Col. Higginson said that he thought the Commissioners did not need to be concerned about the expense, for the gain that would come to the public in general, in having a driveway where they could not be interrupted by heavy teams would be so great that they would see to it that all the money necessary for maintaining the avenue would be provided by the City Government.

Mr. Pillsbury said that he would not urge the immediate taking of the street if he was not assured that the expense would be light, adding, "it is important that something should be done for the protection of the street, and after it is once taken plenty of money will be forthcoming to meet all necessary expenses."

Mr. Charles H. Parker urged the taking of the street by the Board, because he thought that what is the decorative avenue of the City should be a part of the park system to the extent to which it is asked by the petitioners. Baltimore has taken streets for the purpose of connecting its parks, and this system is in vogue in Chicago. It is not stretching the functions of the Board if you do take the avenue which is the connecting link between the old and the new parks, and has always been considered as such, it having been shown on the plans of the Park System published with some of the earlier reports of the Board. It is wider than the finest boulevard in Paris and will bring the Park System into the very heart of Boston.

Prof. Walker asked that if the chief object in taking this avenue is to keep off heavy teaming, if it is not even to need this [illegible] of the Legislature giving the city authority to keep the teams off the street.

Mr. Pillsbury said that because the Legislature has declared a policy, it is the duty of the local authorities

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to see that its acts have some meaning by doing what the statute permits them to do. When the Legislature confers power it confers it with a view to its exercise. Genl. Walker objected to this view of it and Mr. Pillsbury further said, In the Harbor and Land Commissioners' report Commonwealth avenue is made the finest avenue in Boston, being restricted to residences only, and it is carrying out the view that the Commonwealth had originally in giving to it its memorial character by making it a parkway.

Hon. Chas. S. Andrew said that the important question is a question of policy and whether it is a wise scheme to place the avenue in charge of the Park Department. The amount of money should not be taken into account. The City can be depended upon to keep the avenue in order. The Mayor would see to it that it was kept in order by the Street Department or by having the money transfered. It would be an immediate advantage to have the avenue transfered so that traffic can be regulated which could be done at trifling expense, which would in itself be a great gain to the tax payer. It is an approach to the park system and stands unrivalled as an avenue. He instanced the parkways connecting Jamaica Park with the Arboretum and Franklin Park as similar to Commonwealth avenue both in width and the uses which they are made to serve. The reasons which made it desirable to have those ways under the control of the Park Commissioners which equally well to Commonwealth avenue.

The argument for this was wholly on the side of the petitioners as against any objections which can be raised.

Subsequently Mr. Pillsbury's communications in regard to Commonwealth avenue were placed on file and the matter was referred to Mr. Savage to confer with His Honor the Mayor and the Corporation Counsel.

A conference was held with

the Mayor in regard to the scheme of work for this season and it was

Voted, that the expenditures during the current fiscal year for construction be in accordance with the following schedule: and the Engineer is authorized to proceed at once with the work and to employ laborers from the Street Department in addition to the present force provided said laborers give satisfaction.

Schedule of work for 1894-1895.

Description of work.	Estimated Cost (as of Feb. 1, 1894)	Amount to be expended during the fiscal year 1894-5	
The Fens.			
Planting, road-making and stone crusher,	$ 9.600.00.		
Electric lighting,	6.110.00,	15.710.	15.700.
Fens to Jamaica Pond.			
Surfacing {drives, ride, walks} drainage &c.	42.500.		
Bridges.	45.922.05		
Planting.	35.700.		
Audubon Road filling.	16.196.78		
Retaining-walls.	25.000.		
Tool houses, Shelter &c.	5.000.		
Perkins & Chestnut streets.	25.000.	195.318.83.	170.000
Perkins to Prince street.			
Roads, drainage, fences, planting.	71.000.		
House for skating &c.	10.000.		
Pond street widening.	20.000.	101.000.00.	70.000.
Prince street to Franklin Park.			
Grading ride, drains & surfacing roads except those along Arboretum.	77.500.		
Grading & Culvert along "	10.000.		
Bridge under Providence R.R.	40.000.		
Paths & slopes in Arboretum.	5.000.		
Gateway, wall &c " "	9.000.	141.500.00	85.000.
Franklin Park.			
Walks.	10.000.		
Forest Hills Entrance	85.000		
Amounts Carried over.	95.000	453.52883	340.700

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	Water supply.	32,000		
	Drainage.	13,000.		
	Beaver Street.	53,445.17		
	Brookdale Building.	5,138.00		
	Refectory Hill "	100,000.00		
	Shademaker Hill "	975.		
	Propagating House.	800.		
	Scarier Pond.	600.		
	" " bridges.	8,700		
	Planting, clearing &c.	20,200.		
	Ride.	10,000.		
	General work.	2,300.	339,058.17	265,000
	Marine Park.			
	Roads, drainage &c.	36,744.83		
	Loam.	17,800.		
	Planting.	10,000.		
	Building.	75,000.	139,544.83	130,000.
	Wood Island Park			
	Grading, surfacing &c.	29,679.39		
	Building. Drains & Water.	23,722.20		
	Retaining-wall.	2,500.00		
	Gymnasium.	6,000.00	61,901.59	60,000.
	Charlestown Heights.			
	Buildings.	22,285.00		
	Holes.	500.00		
	Loam &c.	300.00		
	Retaining-walls.	1,000.00		
	Planting.	1,100.00	25,185.00	25,000.
	Charlestown Playground.			
	Grading &c.		1,300.00	1,300.
	Dorchester Bay. Grading.		9,066.24	9,000.
	Strandway. Dumps.		20,000.	20,000
	Franklin Field.		15,000.	15,000.
	Electric Lights.		20,000.	20,000
	Betterments.		2,500.	2,500.
	Old Contracts.		32,000.	32,000.
	Muddy Pond Parkway (Including land)		300,000	100,000
			$1,419,084.66	$1,020,500.

Finance.

Appropriations February 1. 1894.	$1.024.584.84	
Loan of February 1. 1894.	500.000.00	
Crushed stone loan.	50.000.00	1.574.584.84
Expenditures in 1894-1895		
Construction as per schedule	1.020.500.00	
Land.	354.244.71	1.374.744.71
Balance.		$199.840.13

Voted, that the City Engineer prepare plans for including the excavating on the east side of Pond Street at Jamaica Pond in Messrs Saucier Bros. contract, and that the Chairman notify them to do said work under article 36 of their contract.

It was also

Voted, that the Chairman notify Saucier Bros. that great complaint has been made about their delay in starting work and that if not begun immediately and prosecuted with dispatch the Board will be obliged to take it in hand.

Voted, that the Engineer in charge confer with Perkins and White as to carrying on the work necessary to be done on Franklin Field this season under the same arrangement as last year except a reduction in the price of labor to one dollar and seventy-five cents per day.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge make a similar arrangement with Messrs Moulton & Co. Attorneys for building culverts at Leverett Park.

On motion of Mr. Sprague it was

Voted, that the advertisement for teams authorized to be issued at the last meeting be amended so as to provide that only those owners of teams who are assessed therefor shall be eligible under the alotment.

Voted, that the offer of the New England Dredging Company to deliver dredged material on the Strandway be declined in view of the report

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of the Engineer in Charge that all available space to be filled with poor material is needed for such material as ought to be dredged in the immediate vicinity of the Strandway and Marine Park, and that nothing should be purchased from outside sources except gravel suitable for making the beaches.

On the request of the Boston Water Power Company it was

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge establish on the ground the line of the Back Bay Fens between Tremont and Longwood entrances.

On request of Eben Murray it was

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge have the line marked on his estate.

Voted, that there be allowed and paid to Eben Murray the sum of twenty dollars deducted by mistake from the judgment on the verdict for land damages, under the assumption that he was to pay four hundred and fifty dollars instead of four hundred and thirty dollars for his house.

The reply of the General Manager of the West End Street Railway Co. in regard to the advertising of Skating in Jamaica Pond was received and placed on file.

The Secretary reported that the terms for the renewal of the twenty thousand dollars insurance on the Warlock Building would be 1½ %, or 1% under the Co-insurance clause which would require insurance of twenty-eight thousand dollars on the building, and it was

Voted, to insure for the latter amount.

The Secretary was directed to arrange an appointment with Alderman Lee for a visit under the City Council order authorizing the Board to select and purchase a site for a playground in North Brighton, for Wednesday next at 2. P.M.

The Secretary stated that the Zingari Cricket Club had failed to present a list of members although the Secretary of the Club had promised to have it ready for the meeting to day. The Chairman stated that he understood

from the Secretary of the Club that they would go elsewhere for a ground.

Mr. Howe stated that he understood that one of the parties engaged in carting material from the banks on Fifth street to the Strandway was putting in a steam shovel to excavate the material and it was

Voted, that the Chairman notify him that the work was only undertaken temporarily to afford opportunity for unemployed men and teams to obtain work, and to caution him against going to large expense for machinery as the Department is not bound to keep the dump open any length of time.

A Communication was received from Mr. Pierce stating that his new house would be finished by April 25, and the Secretary was directed to reply that the Commissioners have already allowed nearly three months additional time beyond what he considered necessary at first, and cannot delay the sale of the building longer than the first of next month, especially as it will be necessary to allow thirty days for its removal. It was then

Voted, that the Secretary arrange for the sale of the Pierce house to take place April 1st.

Adjourned to March 19th at 2. o'clk.

Geo. F. Clarke.
Sec'y.

Boston, March 9. 1894.

A special meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 11. A.M. Present Messrs Kendricken and Sprague, Mr. Walker being absent from the City. Also present His Honor the Mayor and Messrs Jackson, Howe and F. L. Olmsted.

The Mayor submitted a statement of finances and schedule of work for 1894 and 95 for adoption by the Board. After discussion the matter was laid over until the next regular meeting of the Board.

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Mr. Olmsted submitted a preliminary plan for carrying the electric street railway across the Fens without interfering with the main pleasure drives and walks, dated March 8. 1894, and it was referred to the City Engineer for a report on its feasibility and estimated cost of construction.

A communication was received from David Rice asking that authority be granted him to protect the trees from the depredations of canker worms on the corner of Prince and Pond streets. The Secretary was directed to reply that the Board will be glad to avail themselves of his offer.

The Secretary was directed to write to Clinton White to inquire whether there is any petition, order or bill now pending in the Legislature in regard to the North End Park upon which he can yet obtain a hearing.

Voted, that the Chairman notify Eben Munay to vacate immediately the premises occupied by him and remove the building.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Secy.

Boston, March 19. 1894.

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2. P. M. Present Messrs Kendrick and Sprague, Mr. Walker being absent from the City. Also present messrs Jackson, Pierce and F. L. Olmsted. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

A communication was received from Mrs. Pierce regarding the occupancy of her house corner Pond and Prince streets which was read and placed on file. Mr. William G. Pierce being present asked that the Board defer the posting of notices for the sale of his Mother's house until April 1st., and the Secretary was directed to postpone the sale to

such date as would permit this to be done.

Councilmen Reynolds and Maginnis came before the Board in regard to a playground for the district comprised in Wards 19 and 22.

A hearing was given to messrs Jones & Meehan upon their claim for extra allowance under their contract for Audubon bridge abutments and it was

Voted, that the full amount of the contract be allowed and paid to Jones & Meehan under their contract for Audubon Road Bridge abutments without deduction for work not done or addition for extra work, and that the City Engineer be authorized to make up the final estimate accordingly.

Councilman Kelley and Mr. Maguire came before the Board with reference to several estates which the proposed parkway from Franklin Park to Muddy Pond Woods would affect. After some discussion the Commissioners referred them to the Metropolitan Park Commission.

A conference was held with the Board of Survey in regard to what street openings could be permitted to enter the Arborway. It was agreed that the Board of Survey should submit a preliminary plan to the Landscape Architects before finally determining the locations for such streets.

A communication from C. de L. Chandler to Edmund Walker regarding the application of James Purton for position of sub-foreman was received and on a statement by Mr. Howe in regard to the matter it was placed on file.

Executive circular No. 100 authorizing Heads of Departments to grant a holiday to employees on Evacuation Day, March 17. was received and placed on file.

The Secretary stated that Mr. Dabson recommends a settlement of the May case on the basis of ten cents a foot for the land and interest with restrictions and no betterments on remaining land and it was

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Voted, That the Corporation Counsel be authorized to consent to a judgment on the petition of Theresa May for damages for land taken for a public park in the sum of ten cents per foot with interest from the time of taking, April 29, 1892, provided she give a deed for the same containing all the covenants, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of Deed for the Parkway Muddy River, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses arising or in any way growing out of such taking and the construction of said park.

A communication from Theresa May complaining of the condition of the brook culvert and requesting that some one of the Commissioners examine it, was received and referred to Mr. Sprague for investigation and report.

On recommendation of the Sergeants of Police it was

Voted, That a part of the bicycle uniform, as set forth in their written communication, be allowed by the Department.

A communication was received from Robert M. Morse regarding release of betterments on estate of Edward M. Brewer and heirs of Charles Brewer and the Secretary was directed to reply, that the Board cannot consider a proposition of release of betterments on the Brewer estate as it is authorized to assume betterments only on settlement of land damages, but that the right of entrances on the parkway will be allowed under an agreement to submit the remaining land to the usual restrictions.

The request of Robert M. Morse for liberty to remove some of the trees on his land if he finds it desirable to do so, was received and referred to the Engineer in charge to permit the same if, in his opinion, the plans would not permit their remaining where they stand.

The application of "Der Boston Telegraph" for advertisement of the notice of assessment of betterments was rejected, and the request of the "Jamaica Plain News" for said

advertisment was granted.

The Secretary stated that Mr. J. C. Singleton had requested permission to take the knocker and some locks from the old house on Charter street taken for the North End Park which formerly belonged to his family and it was

Voted, that the request be granted provided he pay such value as the Purchasing Agent sets upon them.

Messrs Saucier Brothers reply to the letter of the Chairman of 13th. inst, was received and placed on file.

A communication was received from the Superintendent of Streets regarding filling at the North End Park and referred to the Chairman for reply.

The following was received:

"Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

"Boston, March 12, 1894.

"Park Commissioners, City of Boston.

"Dear Sirs, The President of the Massa-
"chusetts Institute of Technology has directed that
"application be made to you for permission to march
"the Battalion of Cadets over the roads of the Back
"Bay Fens. It is not intended that this use
"be for drilling purposes, but for simple marching exer-
"cises, requiring only the privilege of passing over
"the roads in an orderly manner, and not oftener
"than once in two weeks on Wednesday. The President
"assures the Commissioners that they can depend on
"the good conduct and military control of the
"student Battalion during these marches and the
"officer of the Institute, who will always be in charge,
"will be held strictly responsible that the regulations
"of the park are rigidly observed by all under
"his command. Very respectfully,

"Your Obedient Servant, H. L. Hawthorne.

"1st. Lieut. 4th Arty. Prof. of Military

"Science and tactics."

and it was

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Voted, that permission be granted to the Battalion of Cadets of the Mass. Institute of Technology to pass over the roads of the Back Bay Fens in military order not oftener than once in two weeks, said permit to extend through the remainder of the school year.

The petition of the Zingari Cricket Club for permission to play cricket at Franklin Field was taken from the table and placed on file, the club having apparently abandoned the matter.

The Chairman was requested to notify Johnson Brothers that delay in their work on the Bridle Path Bridge is causing the department inconvenience, and that a larger force must be put on the work immediately.

Voted, that the City Engineer be authorized to lay the side walks of Audubon bridge and erect a fence on each side of the roadway.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge place a temporary railing on the Chapel bridge or erect barriers at the entrances, and that Mr. A. H. French be notified to obtain proposals at once for the permanent railing.

Voted, that Mr. Olmsted be requested to report a plan for grading the South West side of the Forest Hills Entrance to the Arnold Arboretum.

On the application of William Young for a renewal of his boating privilege on Jamaica Pond it was

Voted, that permission be granted to William Young to keep row boats for hire on Jamaica Pond provided that he keep his boats in better condition and furnish better service than that of last season. The location to be selected by the Engineer in Charge.

Voted, that the Mayor be requested to direct the City Treasurer to pay drafts on account of the appropriation for "Public Parks, Wards six and seven," to the amount of one hundred thousand dollars

for land and fifty thousand dollars for construction, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 192 Acts of 1893.

Mr. Howe stated that the Superintendent of Streets could be unable to furnish all the men which the Mayor had stated could be supplied by the Street Department and that it would be necessary to increase the force in some other way. It was thereupon

Voted, that Mr. Sprague confer with the Mayor as to hiring two hundred men temporarily on the park work or employing them through contractors on a basis of fifteen per cent for superintendence and use of tools.

Mr. Jackson said that he could spare from four to eight men from his unimproved sewerage force, and the matter was referred to Mr. Sprague to confer with the Mayor as to transferring them to this department.

Mr. Howe reported that Mr. Mann would excavate the ledge on Beacon Street and deliver the stone at the crusher and back to the street for one dollar and ninety seven cents per cubic yard, and it was

Voted, that the City Engineer draw up a suitable agreement with E. P. Mann to provide for doing said work, and that the Chairman with the approval of the Mayor, notify him accordingly.

Mr. Sprague reported that he had conferred with the Corporation Counsel in regard to the proposed transfer of Commonwealth avenue to this Department and that Mr. Dawson saw no objection to the taking of the avenue by the Commissioners if it were deemed expedient, in which case the City Police would be under obligation to enforce the regulations of the Commissioners, and any damages arising from imperfections in the roadway or accumulations of ice or snow would be chargeable to the Department. It was thereupon

Voted, that a request be made to the City Council to provide the sum of fifty thousand dollars

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to be expended this season for the improvement of Commonwealth Avenue, also an appropriation for maintenance this year of ten thousand dollars.

Mr. Olmsted submitted a plan for widening Blue Hill avenue from Canterbury Street to Seaver Street, dated March 15, 1894 which was approved.

Senator Fitzgerald asked for a hearing to the North End people, and it was

Voted, that four o'clock at the next meeting be set for such hearing.

Voted, that the Secretary arrange with Callerian Bros. for the sale of the buildings on the land taken for the North End Park.

A proposition was received from Thomas Minton to deliver from five hundred to one thousand double loads of stone chips on the Arborway for one dollar and twenty-five cents per double load of thirty five cubic feet; also one thousand loads of earth filling for seventy five cents per double load and the proposition was declined as the materials are not needed.

Geo. F. Clarke.
Sec'y.

Boston, March 23. 1894.

A Special meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at twelve M. Present messrs Kendrichen, Walker and Sprague. Also present His Honor the Mayor and messrs Jackson and Howe.

The Mayor stated that Mr. Carter was unable to supply the whole number of men which he had agreed to furnish for the park work, and it would not do to count on more than fifty from this source. He opposed the temporary employment of extra men by the Department through the Civil Service believing that it would result in a permanent increase of the force, and favored doing the work by contract.

It was thereupon

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to finish all the roadways and planting in the park ways that cannot be done with the regular force of the department (with such additions as may be received from the Street Department) by contract, and if in his judgment it is impracticable or inexpedient to specify and advertise the work, the same may be done subject to the approval of the Mayor by paying the cost of the labor and a reasonable amount for the services and tools of the contractors.

Voted, that in case of such employment of labor through contractors the Engineer in Charge limit the work to contractors Perkins and White, H. P. Nawn and Michael Kiernan.

The Mayor approved the employment of the men which Mr. Jackson could furnish from the Improved Sewerage Department and it was

Voted, that the City Engineer be authorized to transfer the eight men which he recommended at the last meeting from the Improved Sewerage Department to this Department

Voted, that the City Engineer be authorized to transfer a portion of the engineering force from the Improved Sewerage Department to this Department.

The Commissioners conferred with the Mayor in regard to the advisability of requesting the City Council to furnish appropriations of fifty thousand dollars for the improvement of Commonwealth avenue and ten thousand dollars for maintenance antecedent to its acceptance. The Mayor stated that in his opinion the whole amount needed for the improvement should be asked for. It was thereupon

Voted, that the City Engineer prepare and submit the estimated cost of re-surfacing Commonwealth avenue with a Telford or Concrete road-bed.

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Voted, that Mr. Olmsted be requested to submit his reasons in writing whether it is desirable or otherwise for this Department to accept the control of Commonwealth avenue and what should be the proper treatment of the avenue if it should be accepted.

Mr. Sprague reported in the Theresa May case that, in his opinion something should be done to relieve her land of the overflow caused by the obstruction of the brook by the grating at the Parkway, and the matter was referred to Mr. Sprague and the Engineer in Charge with power to do whatever may be found expedient.

Mr. Sprague stated that Sergeant Dennis had called his attention to the condition of the plantations at the Arboretum on the corner of South and Bussey streets, which from the liability to fires endangered the grove on Hemlock Hill, and at his suggestion it was

Voted, that the Board respectfully calls the attention of the Director of the Arboretum to the condition in which the plantations of the Arboretum adjoining the corner of South and Bussey street are left, there being a large amount of uncut grass and debris which may occasion fires at any time.

Voted, that the Board of Police be notified that this Board renews its request heretofore made, that the Board of Police refuse liquor licenses upon premises fronting upon the public parks also on premises adjoining or within one hundred feet of the same.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston, March 26. 1894.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P.M.

Present messrs Kendrichen, Walker and Sprague. Also present Messrs Jackson, Howe, and F.L. & J.C. Olmsted.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The following bids for erecting a shelter on the Riverway were received, publicly opened and read:

		Extra excavation.	Extra foundation.
George G. Baker.	$4.261	.75 cu. yd.	$7.00 cu. yd.
Wm. L. Miller.	4.487	.50 " "	4.25 " "
H. F. Miller.	4.265.	1.00 " " not over 2 in. deep.	6.00 " "

The estimates of John W. McKay for building a board fence between estate of W. H. Goodwin and the Arnold Arboretum was received and the Chairman was authorized to approve a bill for one-half the cost.

A communication from Sergeant Murphy suggesting that some of the photographic views of the park system taken for the World's Fair exhibit, be presented to the Superintendent of the Boston Public schools to be distributed and hung in said schools was received and placed on file, and it was

Voted, that the exhibit be kept intact and be in charge of the Landscape Architects.

Kate Gannet Wells' request that photographs of Brimmer-bank gymnasium be loaned to Miss McMartin for use in a lecture at New Haven was granted.

A communication from F. C. Welch requesting permission for the family of Mr. Francis Parkman to remove the carved staircase rails and a dozen rose plants from their estate taken for park purposes, was received and it was

Voted, to grant the latter request and to lay the other one on the table to be taken under consideration when the question of the disposition of the

Mch. 26. house comes up.
1894. Voted, that five hundred additional copies of the eighteenth annual report, also an edition of twenty five hundred copies of the nineteenth annual report be printed.

A communication from the Citizen's Relief Committee regarding delivery of filling on the Strandway was received and placed on file.

A communication was received from Patrick Mc. Morrow regarding assessment for teams, also a notice from Assessors' office of oversight and intention to assess the same for 1894 and on motion of Mr. Sprague it was

Voted, that a certificate from the Assessors' office of oversight and intention to assess should be considered equivalent to assessment.

A communication from the Street Commissioners requesting plans for the re-location of Beaver street was received and placed on file, said plans having been furnished by the Engineer in Charge.

A communication from Alderman John H. Lee enclosing letter from the Superintendent of Streets regarding "catch" basins at the corner of Centre and Orchard streets was received and refered to the Chairman for reply.

A communication from the "Eureka" Door Bell Company regarding bicycle bells was received and placed on file, the bells required having already been obtained.

A request was received from John J. Quigley for a permit to run steamers to Castle Island & it was

Voted, that the Chairman issue a permit provided the Sergeant of Police reports that last years service was satisfactory.

A communication from A. E. Hayward containing charges against officer Hebard was received and refered to Sergeant Murphy for investigation and report.

A statement from the Engineer in charge giving reasons why contracts for surfacing and grading on the parkway cannot be advertised was received and placed on file and the City Engineer was requested to draw up a form of contract for the employment of labor through contractors.

The request of Timothy Cunnihan for a permit to operate "Flying horses" at Franklin Park was received and it was

Voted, that a permit be granted for this season under direction of the Sergeant of Police.

The request of the West End Street Railway Company for approval of pole locations on Huntington avenue and Tremont Street was referred to the Engineer in charge to confer with the Engineer of said Company with reference to changing the locations.

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The Board, Messrs Kendrieken and Sprague being present gave a hearing at 2 P.M. to all persons interested under the notice of the Board of intention to assess a betterment on account of the laying out of the Jamaica Park and Arborway. A large number of persons interested in the estates to be affected were present and a remonstrance in writing signed by a considerable number was handed in and placed on file.

Mr. R. M. Morse stated that there were two objections that he wished to make. One was that the immediate abutters would be expected to meet the bulk of the assessment. A large part of the betterment will fall on the persons part of whose lands have been already taken for the park. In no instance has the amount allowed by the Jury been what the owners of the land considered its full value.

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They feel that they have contributed towards the park all that they should be expected to do.

The second thing to be borne in mind was that immediately consequent upon the laying out of the parks the valuations have been largely raised and intimations are given out that they will be further increased. The owners are paying an increased tax due to the higher valuations and they feel that they are paying this tax on account of the laying out of the park. He said that these things should be taken into account before a further assessment is made.

Mr. Bates objected to assessment on his property at Wold Park.

Mr. James S. English said that the residents in this district will have to pay a largely increased tax which should be considered as a betterment tax.

The placing of a bath house on the pond near the foot of Eliot street will injure their property. Of the twenty-four houses on Eliot street five are now vacant. The rents asked may be high, but owing to increased taxes the income would not be increased.

Mr. George A. O. Ernst protested against a betterment being assessed upon a mortgage loan. He further said, that so far as the front land is concerned no rights of way are provided for in the Parkway and for that reason no betterments should be assessed on this frontage.

F. W. Reynolds stated that Orchard street suffered from the laying out of the Parkway which in effect would make it a back street and withdraw pleasure travel from it.

Mr. D. Johnson stated that his estate on St. Mark's street was assessed for four hundred dollars more than he has offered to sell it for. He did not think the property had been benefited by the Parkway.

J. M. Maxwell of the Boston and Providence Railroad stated that the parcel of land on South and Morton streets had been taken for the purpose of elevating the tracks and ought not to be assessed to the

same extent as land held for other purposes.

Mr. B. H. Henderson said that for the last three years there has been an increase of valuation, his property having been raised from forty eight hundred and sixty dollars to sixty one hundred dollars on account of the park improvement and they are now paying a betterment in increased taxes.

Objections were also made by or in behalf of

Charles B. Amory.	Robert Bacon, et. als. Trustees
O. A. Shaw.	Eliza G. Rice.
Louise Dublin.	Lizzie M. Payson.
Martin E. Downey.	Frances S. Johnson.
Rebecca D. Studley.	E. D. Sampson.
E. M. Brewer and 4 heirs of Charles Brewer	
J. T. Gibson.	Mary S. Gill.
Alice M. Ellis.	P. A. Norcross,
L. M. Adams Estate	Mary Mc. Clerr.
Thomas F. Cain.	William Rooney.
Daily L. Page.	

Subsequent to the hearing a special meeting of the Board was held at which were present Messrs Kendricken and Sprague and Corporation Counsel Babson.

On a statement by Mr. Babson it was

Voted, that the Corporation Counsel be authorized to agree with counsel for James L. Jordan for the withdrawal of exceptions on the verdict and the addition of sixteen hundred dollars to the award of the jury, provided they agree to build a wall of Roxbury stone and blue stone coping on the line of the estate adjoining the Parkway within three months.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston, April 2 1894.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P. M.

Present Messrs Kendrichen, Walker and Sprague.

Also present Messrs Jackson, Howe and F. L. & J. G. Olmsted.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

Mr. John E. Woods came before the Board, in response to its request for a price at which he would sell the land at Davis's corner, Brighton, belonging to him and Kate E. Woods, included in the land which has been proposed for a playground at that place, and offered to take ten cents per square foot.

Alderman Witt and Councilman Cochran came before the Board and stated that nothing had been done by the contractors at Wood Island Park for six weeks and that no movement to continue work was visible. It was thereupon

Voted That the Chairman notify O'Connor & White of the complaint in the delay under their contract at Wood Island Park and of the necessity of immediately pushing the work to completion.

Messrs H. W. Huguley and F. T. Hanley came before the Board in reference to the application of Mrs. Prendergast now pending before the Board of Police for a liquor license in the premises on Tremont street adjoining the Parkway. Mr. Huguley stated that he understood the Park Commissioners objected to the granting of a license for these premises, and he raised the question whether the terms of settlement made with Mrs. Prendergast did not in effect provide for the continuance of the business then carried on for a period of ten years as stated in the deed given in settlement. He said that in his opinion the Board should carry out the evident intention of the agreement by withdrawing opposition to the granting of a license. (For record of said

agreement see Vol. 5. p. 287.) The matter was referred to Mr. Sprague to confer with the Law Department to see if there is any presumption that the agreement referred to intended to provide for the carrying on of the liquor business for which the premises were then used.

Mr. Bernard Ryan was given a hearing on his petition in reference to his discharge from the park force. Mr. Ryan claimed that he had been discharged without sufficient cause by sub-foreman Taylor; that the sub-foreman swore at the men, and that he replied "You haven't lost your voice Mr. Taylor, whatever you have lost." He asked to be reinstated or that the charge against him be modified. Subsequently Mr. Bowe stated that Mr. Ryan was inclined to shirk and finally was discharged for that reason and for talking back to the foreman, and it was

Voted, That the Board after a hearing to Bernard Ryan on the grounds of his discharge from the Labor Force of this Department see no reason to revise the action of the foreman in causing his discharge and that he be notified accordingly.

Chairman Dore of the Board of Street Commissioners and City Surveyor Humbert came before the Board to confer with regard to the plans of Blue Hill Avenue adjoining Franklin Park. They objected to the latest plan by Olmsted, Olmsted & Eliot which carried the electric car tracks further into the street than the plan previously sent them, dated April 22. 1892, and upon which the plans for laying out Blue Hill avenue were drawn. Mr. Dore said that it would not do now to change the plan in justice to those who had given lands and as the releases had been given. He said it would take a year to get new releases even if it were now possible.

The Commissioners suggested that the Street Commissioners ascertain the cost of widening Blue Hill avenue on the easterly side to give an equal

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area of roadway to that shown on the original plan and report it to this Board. It was then

Voted, that pending said report the Board adhere to the original plan of Blue Hill avenue.

A communication was received from A. E. Pillsbury in regard to the taking of Commonwealth avenue by the Park Commissioners, and the pending application at the State House for a loan for said purposes which was referred to the Chairman for reply.

The remonstrance of William E. James against the assessment of betterments on his estate on Eliot street, Jamaica Plain, was received and placed on file.

Voted, that the final payment be made to Perkins and White under their contract for furnishing broken stone at Marine Park, notwithstanding the provision in the contract which allows payment to be withheld forty days from the completion of the work.

A communication was received from Owen A. Galvin submitting a proposition from Mr. Reynolds to accept one dollar per foot for his land damages, betterments to be assumed by the city and it was

Voted, that the offer be accepted provided he give the usual deed placing restrictions on his remaining land within one hundred feet from the park line.

A communication from the Secretary of the Boston Cricket Club requesting that the cricket ground be graded and put in order was received, and it was

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge remove the boulders and repair the ground to some extent.

A report was received from Sergeant Murphy concerning his investigation of the charges made by A. D. Hayward against officer Hebard, and the Secretary was directed to notify Mr. Hayward of the investigation by the Sergeant of Police, that any further investigation would resolve itself into a question of veracity as to a part of the language complained of, and that the officer had been instructed

to be more considerate in the future when addressing women and children.

Voted, that the Engineer in charge arrange with the Boston Electric Light Company for additional cable to provide for lighting the Stony Brook and Bridle Path bridges, with incandescent lamps.

Voted, that the City Engineer be authorized to advertise for bids for constructing the retaining wall on Chestnut street.

Mr. Howe submitted a modified plan and request of the West End Street Railway Company for approval of pole locations on Huntington avenue and Fremont street, and it was

Voted, that the request of the West End Street Railway Company to erect two poles on Fremont Entrance of the Back Bay Fens for carrying its wires for its electric system as shown on a plan of A.L. Plympton, Engineer, dated March 21, 1894, be granted on condition that the work be made satisfactory to the Engineer in Charge, and that the poles be removed upon notice from this Board.

Messrs John J. Leach, James Hart, and James Clark, a committee representing the employees of the Park Department came before the Board and asked that a holiday be given the men for the purpose of holding a picnic, and it was

Voted, that all laborers in the Department whose services can be dispensed with be given a holiday without loss of pay, in part compensation for their services, on such day as, with the consent of the Engineer in Charge, they may select for the purpose of holding a picnic.

Mr. C. H. Adams came before the Board in reference to the taking of the land of Ellen L. Adams for Jamaica Park. He was not prepared to make an offer of settlement but would consider it and submit an offer at a later date.

Mr. Paul D. Watson came before the Board

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with reference to a settlement of damages for the land taken from Josiah A. Tucker for Franklin Field. He said that Mrs. Tucker paid three cents per foot for the land in 1886, or about six hundred dollars for the whole lot. It should be worth now seven hundred dollars at least, and the Board ought to pay about as much as the whole lot is worth on account of the shape in which the rest is left. He estimated her damages at six hundred dollars, but finally agreed to settle for five hundred dollars which the Board accepted.

A report was received from the Landscape Architects in regard to the proposition to place that part of Commonwealth avenue from Arlington to Beacon street in charge of the Park Department, which was read and placed on file. Subsequently on motion of Mr. Sprague the Secretary was directed to send the report to the Mayor with a request that it be returned when he is through with it.

On motion of Gen. Walker the Chairman and Mr. Sprague were appointed a committee to draw up a communication to the City Council setting forth that the appropriation for maintenance is insufficient to run the department through the year, and that certain features of administration will have to be suspended to keep within the appropriation unless a further appropriation is made.

Voted, that the Landscape Architects be authorized to purchase the trees required for the Commonwealth avenue plantations at not exceeding two hundred dollars.

The annual report of the City Engineer of the work done on the public parks during the past year, prepared for printing, with the Annual report of the Department was received.

The following vote of notice of intention to assess a betterment on account of the laying out of a public park in Dorchester was passed and the

Secretary was directed to advertise it according to law.

City of Boston,

In Board of Park Commissioners.

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Whereas, pursuant to the authority conferred by Chapter 185 of the Acts of the year 1875, this Board did by a certain act passed April 29, 1893, locate and lay out a public park or parks in that part of the City of Boston called Dorchester, as shown on plans at this office, at an expense of $162.256.87, it is therefore hereby voted, that due notice be given to-

Andrews. Frank W. }
Brown. Edward J. } Trustees under will
Welch. Francis C. } of
William T. Andrews.
Allen. Jeremiah W. City of Boston.
Allman. Mary E. Dorr. Dudley A. Trustee under
Brewer. D. Chauncy will of Augustus Russ.
Brewer. Mary Ada Driscoll. Dennis
Brewer. David H. Donovan. John M.
Blume. Andreas. Trustee. Devine. James V.
Brevogel. Frank D. Dukee. Horace heirs of
Burbank. Parker C. Emmons. Joshua
Butler. Ella L. Fraser. Sarah
Bragg. Mary S. France. Charlotte E.
Ballantyne. John Flint. David B.
Breen. Patrick Fitzgerald. William P.
Bowers. Henry T. Green. Frederick A. heirs of
Baxter. Emma C. Graham. James J.
Bearse. Amanda A. Graham. Ellen
Bay State Gas Company. Griffin. Mary E.
Burnham. Isabel C, }
Gallagher. Charles T. } Trustees under will
Mills. Eliza B. } of
Choate Burnham.
Cushing. Geo. P. heirs of Gallagher. John J.
Castle. Mary E. Gillespie. Elisabeth M.
Christie. John Gillespie. John R.
Christie. Margaret F. Gillespie. Annie L.
Clapp. Richard, heirs of Gillespie. Edwin L.

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Gillespie. James G.
Gillespie. Robert
Hayes. Hammond V.
Hayes. William A.
Heywood. Thomas
Houlihan. Honora
Howe. John F.
Howe. H. C.
Ham. Joseph
Hayden. John E. V.
Igo. Thomas
King. Franklin
Kittredge. Francis W.
Kimball. Moses
Keepers. Elise
Keane. John M.
Kelly. Johanna
Lynch. John F.
Lindsay James W.
Linnehan, Dennis et.
Moseley. Mary E.
Moseley. Edw. C. } Trustees.
Moseley. Frank }
Merill. George S.
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Mulligan. Carrie L.
Mc. Pherson. James
Mc. Eachren. Aeneas
Mc. Eachron. Johanna
Mac Intosh. Anastasia
Mc. Afee. Charles W.
Mohan. Anne
Mc. Manus. Margaret
Merrfram. Willis B.
Nolan. James
O'Brien. Barthelomew
Peterson. Sophia L.
Porter. Harriett A.
Pierce. Samuel B.
Ripley. George
Ryder. Patrick
Ruggles. Eunice M. Heirs of
Rea. Charles E.
Rea. J. P. Heirs of
Rea. Mary C.
Rea. Adelaide P.
Rhodes. Mary E.
Smith. Franklin. Trustee under will of George W. Smith
Smith. John T.
Smith. Bridget
Smith. John J.
Smith. Eunice B.
Strauss. Charles W.
Shepard. Emily E.
Spooner. Daniel W.
Sullivan. Catherine
Stevens. Wm. Stanford
Sears. J. Henry
Sumter. Jane
Sumner. Martha
Tucker. Atherton heirs of.
Tobey. Gerard C.
Tripp. Willis J. Heirs of
Trask. Rebecca C.
Tucker. Payson E. et.als. Trustees.
Tuttle. Martha A.
Tuttle. Thomas W.
Turpin. John P. Heirs of
Teazie. Lavina J.
Tail. Gilbert Heirs of
Weld. Stephen P.
Welsh. Willard
Walsh. Andrew
Walsh. Catherine
Wilson. Virgil L.

Wanzer, Newton W. Young, Hugh J.
Wareham Savings Bank Young, Hannah E.
Young, Ann

and all other persons and parties owning or having any rights in estates that will be benefited by the said locating and laying out of the said park or parks, that this Board intends to assess a portion of the expense thereof upon the estates so benefited, according to law, and that Friday the twenty-seventh day of April at 2 o'clock P. M. at the Park Commissioners' office, 509 Exchange Building, No. 53 State street, in said Boston, are assigned as the time and place for hearing any objections which may be made to said assessment.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston, April 4, 1894.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2, P. M.

Present Messrs Kendricken, Walker and Sprague. Also present Messrs Jackson, Bowe and F. L. and J. C. Olmsted.

The following bids for iron railing for the Audubon Road bridge were received and opened:

Boston Bridge Works,	Boston.	$ 370.
L. W. Ham & Co.	"	375.
James Flynn,	"	450.
P. J. Dinn	"	590.
Geo. T. McLaughlin & Co.		595.

and it was

Voted, to accept the bid of the Boston Bridge Works for iron railing for Audubon Road bridge at its offer of three hundred and seventy five dollars.

A bill of Thomas Hills for inspection and estimates of estates taken for Franklin Field was received

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and laid over.

A report of Sergeant Dennis recommending the clearing of Dorchester Park for the prevention of fires was received and refered to the Engineer in Charge to take the necessary action.

A communication from Charles S. Penhallow with petitions remonstrating against the erection of bath houses at Jamaica Pond was received and laid over.

A communication from the Superintendent of Streets concerning sewers in the Parkway was received and refered to the Engineer in Charge to confer with the Superintendent of Streets.

The Board conferred with Mr. Rutan of Shepley, Rutan and Coolidge in regard to the proposals for building a shelter on the Riverway and it was

Voted, That the bid of George G. Baker for building a shelter on the Parkway be accepted and that the bond required be fixed at fifteen hundred dollars.

A communication was received from Messrs Moulton & O'Mahoney proposing to do the cutting required on Perkins' street at the price of their present contract (forty six cents per cu. yd) The matter was refered to the Engineer in Charge with instructions to notify Messrs Moulton & O. Mahoney that the Board would accept an offer to do the grading at thirty five cents a cubic yard.

A communication was received from Mrs. James T. Fields in regard to allowing a Company of boys to drill on Charlesbank during the summer. Mr. Sprague stated that he understood the Committee of the Mass. Emergency & Hygiene Association objected to such use of the Children's Playground and the matter was laid on the table for further consideration.

Mr. Jackson submitted an estimate of the cost of carrying out Mr. Olmsted's plan for a street railway across the Fens.

Mr. George Wheatland and Mr. Vinal came before

the Board to ask if it would lay out as a parkway the extension of Audubon Road from Beacon street to Commonwealth avenue as shown on the plan of the Board of Survey. The Commissioners replied that they did not consider the extension of this road beyond Beacon street essential to the park system, or that it properly came within their jurisdiction.

Mr. Howe submitted a report in regard to the plantations of Commonwealth Avenue between Charlesgate West and Beacon street, stating that the amount of soil is in many places entirely inadequate, which was read and placed on file.

A hearing was given to owners of land taken for the park at the North End. Hon. E. J. Flynn represented several of the parties and called Miss Doherty who said that her mother had paid three thousand dollars for the house number three Hickson avenue. It yields a rental of thirty dollars per month and that they had had an offer of twenty eight hundred and fifty dollars for the estate one year ago last spring, and another offer subsequently of three thousand dollars. They declined both offers as her mother was in poor health.

Mr. Flynn called Mr. Patrick J. Green, a real estate owner, corner Weston and Hanover streets who has also built houses. Mr. Green said that the property was worth thirty five hundred dollars and that the house could not be built for thirty five hundred dollars. He said that he was not well posted as to the value of the land, and that the house is not worth so much being in the passageway as it would be on Charter street.

Mr. James L. Dowd stated that he had examined the premises and would set it at more than Mr. Green did, at least worth thirty five hundred dollars. In answer to a question from the Chairman, Mr. Dowd said that he was in the fruit business, that he had, never

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built a house, but has bought one. He had been looking for an investment and could get nothing in the way of a brick house for anything like the money.

Mr. Aggripino paid he bought the house number one Jackson avenue, for three thousand dollars, that improvements cost four hundred dollars and that the rents amounted to thirty three dollars per month including his own.

Mr. Bergman stated that he sold the property one and a half or two years ago for three thousand dollars to Aggripino who made repairs and filled up the basement and spent perhaps two hundred dollars.

Mr. Louis Jauber stated that he bought the property number seventy nine Charter street of J. B. Johnson for forty eight hundred dollars. There were two buildings of sixteen rooms. The condition of the buildings was not very good as they were old. He has refused an offer of fifty five hundred dollars. He paid nine hundred dollars on an agreement for sale of forty eight hundred dollars. The houses paid forty dollars per month rent at the time of the taking. Mr. Johnson paid he paid six thousand dollars at auction for the property which belonged to his wife's father. They had a bid within twenty five dollars of what he paid for it. Some two years ago he had an offer of fifty five hundred dollars but his wife would not consent to the sale being made.

Mr. Flynn paid that the houses were formerly assessed as follows. Doherty, twenty six hundred dollars Aggripino, twenty four hundred dollars; seventy nine Charter street fifty three hundred dollars.

Mr. Bergman stated for Mr. Girolamo, number eighty Charter street, that he bought the house from Mr. Collison and sold it to Girolamo for thirty-four hundred dollars in November 1892, and laid out two hundred dollars for improvements. It brings in thirty five dollars per month besides his three rooms.

Mr. Philip J. Doherty for Mrs. Barry, asked

Mr. Bergman if he made an offer to Mrs. Barry. He said he did, but did not remember the amount. Should not give more than eighty five hundred dollars. He said Mrs. Barry's property is a good investment and it will bring more income than they now get from it.

Mr. McCullough for Mrs. Barretta said that he sold the house to her for twenty eight hundred dollars - sixteen hundred mortgage and the balance in cash - and knows it cost her two hundred dollars for repairs. He would be willing to state that the house could not be duplicated for five thousand dollars. It has nine rooms and is thoroughly built. The building could not be erected for less than thirty five hundred dollars. She gets about twenty seven dollars per month in rent. The tenants left when she was notified that the property had been taken. Mr. Flynn stated that the tenants had declined to pay rents since the notice to vacate the premises.

In reply to a question from Mrs Dorey, Mr. McCullough said that he intended to offer Mrs. Dorey fifty five hundred dollars for her house and that he might have given six thousand dollars. She told him that she was getting her living out of it and would not sell. Mrs. Dorey said that sixty one hundred dollars is what her property cost originally and they had paid eight hundred dollars in repairs.

Mr. Burnett said his sister Margaret A. O'Connell, owned the house eighty nine Charter Street. The rents were twelve dollars per week. Mr. Bergman had offered sixty five hundred dollars for it. She has been paying taxes for twelve or thirteen years at the same valuation. He had bought a lot on Charter Street assessed for fourteen hundred dollars and paid nineteen hundred dollars.

Mr. Lobroich of eighty seven Charter Street said

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his mother paid five thousand dollars cash December twelve eighteen hundred and ninety, and laid out nearly one thousand dollars for repairs. She has had an offer of seventy eight hundred dollars and would not sell for less than eight thousand dollars. The house rented for nine dollars and fifty cents per week besides their own tenement at fifteen dollars per month. Mr. Mc. Cullock stated that he had tried to buy the property before Mr. Lobrovich bought it. He considered it a good bargain and could have offered fifty five hundred dollars. He thinks that it is worth eight thousand dollars. It is cheap at seventy five hundred dollars and he would pay that for it.

Mr. Joseph L. Bergman said he knew that she paid five thousand dollars because he offered that for it. It had no sewerage and was not plastered. He would give seven thousand dollars to day for the house which is in good condition.

Mr. Sheran, owner of number seventy seven Charter street, said his rents were seven dollars and fifty cents per week. The house contains ten rooms and has a large yard. He considers it worth four thousand dollars. He had had offers but the title was defective.

Mr. Flynn called attention to the sale of property on Lime alley, corner of Commercial street, for twenty six hundred dollars which was assessed for fifteen hundred dollars. Mr. Bergmanowner of the lot said he would not sell for less than three thousand dollars. It has a passage way all around. He could put up a building to cost six thousand dollars and could get ten thousand dollars for it.

Senator Fitzgerald stated that he knew that the valuations represented a very low estimate of property particularly at the North End, where the valuation has not been within thirty five to eighty five per cent of the true value. On an average it was exceeded

by sixty five per cent. The assessed values are never in a just ratio to what the property sells for. In Charlestown and East Boston sales have been within two per cent while in the North End they have been fifty per cent at least above the valuation. He said that the Mayor sets forty per cent as the amount to be added in case of takings for rapid transit. He recognizes that in some cases the amount paid will not compensate the owners for the loss of their property and this fact should be taken into account. And said that settlements should be made as soon as possible.

Adjourned to April 10th at 10. A.M.

Geo. F. Clarke
Sec'y.

Boston April 10. 1894.

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 10. A.M.
Present Messrs Kendricken, Walker and Sprague.
Mr. Howes was also present.
The records of the last meeting and special meeting of March 28, were read and approved.

The assessment of betterments on the adjoining real estate for benefit caused by the laying out of Jamaica Park and Arborway was considered in detail, the schedule being held for final revision at a subsequent meeting.

Voted, that the Chairman be authorized to canvass the bids to be received on the sixteenth instant, and to award the contracts and approve the bondsmen.

Mr. Sprague reported that he had conferred with the Law Department in regard to the claim of Mrs. Prendergast that the deed given in settlement of their damages contained an agreement to allow them to conduct the liquor business on her premises for

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ten years, and that Mr. Mason gave his opinion that the provision in the deed in regard to the use of a portion of the premises for mercantile purposes, cannot be construed to refer to the kind of business to be carried on.

The Commissioners conferred with Mr. Howe in regard to the insufficiency of loam on the areas to be planted on Commonwealth avenue between Charlesgate West and Beacon street, and a communication was sent to His Honor the Mayor requesting that the plantations be restored to as good a condition as formerly.

A communication from Paul P. Mason regarding the proposed settlement of the damages of Helen M. Tucker for land taken for Franklin Field was received & it was Voted, that whereas by an Act of this Board passed May 19, 1892, a public park was located and laid out in the city of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land at or near Talbot and Blue Hill avenues in Dorchester, belonging to several persons and parties whereof two certain parcels of land belonged to Helen M. Tucker as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said Helen M. Tucker the sum of five hundred and seven and $\frac{35}{100}$ dollars upon her proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor: and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment: said amount to be charged to the appropriation for public parks.

Geo F. Clarke, Sec'y.

Boston, April 16, 1894.

The following bids were received and opened by the Chairman in the absence of the other Commissioners, many of the bidders being present:

Retaining walls on Leverett Park.

James Killian, Boston. $7,807

Thomas H. Connelly	Boston.	8,771.
Neil Mc. Bride.	"	9,300.
William T. Davis.	"	9,750. 65
Joseph Ross.	"	9,800
R. D. Shanahan.	"	9,924
T. Mc. Carthy & Son.	"	10,495
D. Henry Cram.	"	10,726
John A. Mulcahey & Co.	"	11,595. 50
Jones & Meehan.	"	12,000.
H. P. Nawn.	"	13,000.
John Moore.	Sharon.	14,022.
Johnson Brothers.	Brookline.	14,376.
Adelard Phaneuf.	Boston.	14,865

The contract was awarded to James Killian and the amount of bond required was fixed at twenty five hundred dollars.

Forest Hills Entrance bridge.

Fallon & Cronin.	Boston.	39,500.
Charles H. Dodge	"	50,920.
John Moyle	Sharon.	51,702
H. P. Nawn.	Boston.	53,000
R. D. Shanahan.	"	53,822
Wm. L. Miller & John Hakeman	"	54,700
Adelard Phaneuf.	"	54,983
Joseph Ross.	"	55,400
Jones & Meehan.	"	58,000
Johnson Brothers.	Brookline.	62,500
Thomas J. Lyons.	Boston.	64,500

The contract was awarded to Fallon & Cronin and the amount of bond required was fixed at fifteen thousand dollars.

The Engineer in charge submitted the following bids for sidewalk flooring of Audubon Road bridge:

Thomas Keyes.	547.50
Josiah Shaw.	594.00
Wm. L. Miller.	593.00

The contract was awarded to Thomas Keyes.

Geo. F. Clarke, Sec'y.

Boston, April 23. 1894.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2. P.M.

Present Messrs Kendricken and Sprague - Mr. Walker being absent from the city. - Also present His Honor the Mayor and Messrs Jackson, Howe and F. L. Olmsted.

A conference was held with the Mayor in regard to the progress of work upon the parks and an appointment was made for a visit to the line of work on the following day. At his suggestion it was

Voted, that the Landscape Architects be requested to submit a plan for widening and reconstructing Prince street.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to surface that part of the Arboreway between South street and the Morton street Entrance to the Arboretum, provided the appropriation for the Arboreway will warrant it.

The Secretary was directed to notify the director of the Arboretum that the Board is now ready to receive the gravel which he agreed to furnish in place of the seventeen hundred cubic yards of loam taken by him from the Arboreway under the agreement with this Board to replace the same with gravel: also to request that the replanting of the top of Bussey Hill under the vote of this Board of October 23. 1893 be done at once. The secretary was also directed to request the consent of the College authorities to the erection of temporary lamp posts along the drive in the Arboretum adjoining the Arboreway for lighting the drive until the Arboreway drive is finished.

Voted, that the Landscape Architects submit a plan for carrying the electric car tracks through the traffic road leading through the arch from Morton to Forest Hills street, and through the latter street to Williams street.

Communications from Mayor Matthews regarding the

removal of the Pierce house, the contract for iron rail for foot bridge across Muddy River, and concerning the plan of park system to be published with the Annual report were received and placed on file.

A communication was received from Sturgis & Cabot recommending a plan for drainage of the cellar of the Field House at Wood Island Park, and it was Voted, that the proposed arrangement be adopted.

The City Engineer's estimate of the cost of resurfacing Commonwealth avenue between Arlington street and Massachusetts avenue was received and placed on file.

A communication from Gaston & Snow offering to settle the cases of Eliza Floyd Heir and James H. Gerard for land taken for Franklin Field was received and referred to Mr. Sprague to confer with the Attorneys.

A communication from A. H. French regarding iron fencing on the bridge over Muddy River was received and placed on file.

A communication from Kate Gannett Wells regarding the application of Mrs. James T. Fields for boy's drill at Charlesbank was received, placed on file and the Secretary was directed to notify her that the application has been granted.

Voted, that the request of Mrs. James T. Fields to drill a company of boys at Charlesbank during the summer be granted, each drill to take place on the Men's and Boys division of the grounds.

A communication was received from Fallon and Cronin asking to be released from their proposal for building the bridge at the Forest Hills Entrance to Franklin Park, owing to their having made an error in the computations of the work upon which their bid was based. Their proposal if correct figures had been made would have been about fifty thousand dollars. It was thereupon,

Voted, that Messrs Fallon & Cronin be allowed to withdraw their bid and certified check, and that the contract be awarded to Charles H. Dodge,

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the amount of bond required to be fifteen thousand dollars.

The contract with James Killian for building retaining walls at Leverett Park, with bond for twenty-five hundred dollars was approved.

Messrs W. A. S. Chrimes, Commodore, and N. F. McCarthy a trustee of the Commonwealth Yacht Club came before the Board to request that a location on the Strandway be assigned to their club & it was

Amended. Voted, that the Commonwealth Yacht Club be assigned the lot numbered four on the Plan of sites reserved for Yacht Clubs and Boat Houses drawn by the Landscape Architects and dated February 27. 1893, being the lot next westerly of that granted to the South Boston Yacht Club.

Mr. Olmsted submitted a report on the order of the City Council authorizing the Board to select and purchase a site for a playstead in North Brighton, recommending the purchase of land along the river between North Harvard Street bridge and Western avenue bridge. The report was read and placed on file.

The following vote of notice of intention to assess a betterment on account of the laying out of a public park in Dorchester was passed and the Secretary was directed to advertise it according to law.

City of Boston.

In Board of Park Commissioners.

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Whereas, pursuant to the authority conferred by Chapter 185 of the Acts of the year 1875, this Board did, by a certain Act passed May 19. 1892, locate and lay out a public park or parks in that part of the City of Boston called Dorchester, as shown on plans at this office, at an expense of $108.975.49. It is therefore hereby Voted, that due notice be given to

Abbott, William E. Heirs of
Agnieve, D. C.
Annia, Joseph
Abbott, John H.
Agnieve, Byzant H.
Alexander, Charles

Anderson. Allette M.
Babcon. Thomas M.
Ball. James E.
Ball. Harriet
Blossom. Eugene T.
Brazier. Charles G.
Brooks. Alice L.
Brown. Clara E.
Bailey. Mary F.
Baxter. Horace W. } Trustees.
Wheeler. Charles. }
Blake. Ellen
Bacon. Ella M.
Broderick. Julia A.
Brewer. Daniel C.
Blanchard. Leon E.
Bernard. Thomas H.
Bergen. Honora
Bridges. John H.
Bridges. Benjamin F.
Bailey. Ezra A.
Bernard. Annie E.
Bird. G. Burton
Bradley. William J.
Bradley. Mary E.
Bradley. Hannah C.
Billyea. Alice A.
Burke. John H.
Bartlett. Fenn L.
Bartlett. Maria N.
Bicknell. Thomas W.
Bicknell. Amelia D.
Byram. Irving H.
Byram. George L.
Calder. Charles E.
Calder. Clara D.
Calder. Etta A.
Cook. Mary
Annis. Nanette
Chapman. Ephraim W.
Churchill. Asaph Heirs of
Churchill. Joseph V.
Campbell. Simeon S.
Cashman. Mary H.
Cashman. Nellie J.
Chace. Amos M.
Chace. Pastora F. F.
Crotty. Mary
Cunningham. John F.
Craig. Abraham
Coughlin. Daniel J.
Cooker. Ruth A.
Cleaves. Stephen A.
Concannon. J. H.
Conlin. John
Cram. Mary J.
Donnelly. James J.
Dove. George W. W.
Duncan. Laura A.
Dove. Helen L. Heirs of
Drake. Herman
Dunlap. Michael
Drake. Jane
Emerson. William J.
Earl. Thomas
Eagles. Frederick K.
Fottler. John
Fernald. Charles F.
Fernald. Henry H.
Fitzgerald. Charles A.
Fowler. William P.
Foucher. Gaston
Fairbanks. Albert P.
Frohock. Susan F.
Flynn. Eunice M.
Fish. Carrie D.

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Fowler. C. T. Heirs of
Grant. David F.
Gallagher. Sarah J.
Gallagher. Sarah A.
Gallagher. Emma Le.
Goodale. George W.
Gaffney. Martin M.
Green. Mary A.
Griffin. Dennis J.
Goss. Phillip H.
Green. Maria H.
Greenwood. Charles H.
Glines. Marilla M.
Homestead Co-operative Bank.
Hoyt. Frank J.
House. Thomas J. B.
Haines. Charles H.
Heyer. Margaret E.
Heyer. Ida M.
Higgins. Catherine
Hutchings. Lizzie M.
Hoey. George
Hewitt. Horace
Horace. Gertrude W.
Hayward. Eben S.
Hosey. Ida S.
Hellquist. Carl J.
Hill. Edgar S.
Hughes. Estella M.
Helen Hendrie
Hendrie. Robert W.
Hendrie. Joseph A.
Hartshorne. Jeremiah W.
Hatch. Martha E.
Hinds. Fred S.
Hutchins. Henrietta
Hemmendinger. Sophia G.
Jackson. Caroline Heirs of

Jordan. Horace W.
Johnson. Hilda M.
Johnson. Augusta A.
Judge. Annie
Jewett. Caroline D.
Knox. Mary J.
Kohler. Carl
Kemalion. Caios G.
Lane. Mellie L.
Love. Mary J.
Love. William S. Heirs of
Lyon. Jennie
Lennon. Malachi
Lindsay. Mary A.
Link. Harriet M.
Lawrence. Frank G.
Laming. George P.
Moore. Michael
Miller. John C.
Marquardt. George W.
Marr. Martha C.
Mills. Esther
Mc. Kenney. William A.
Mc. Donald. John
Mc. Donald. Alexander
Mc. Donald. Patrick F.
Mc. Laughlin. Michael H.
Mc. Donald. Sue
Mc. Leod. Kenneth
Mc. Donnell. Edward J.
Mc. Naught. Ann M.
Mc. Naught. William W.
Mc. Naught. William
Mc. Naught. Agnes J.
Mc. Lean. John S.
Mc. Lean. Alice B.
Mayberry. Frank P.
Mayberry. Cyrus C.

Mayberry. Georgie N.
Mahoney. Dennis F.
Mellyn. Lawrence J.
Moxom. Edwin P.
Nute. Henry O.
Noyes. Eliza W.
Newhall. Theever
Nightingale. Lucy A.
Nightingale. George E.
Noonan. John J.
Nielson. Carl S.
Nelson. Mary M.
Olsson. Johan
Olsson. Oscar
Pines. John S.
Pierce. Nelson
Phoenix. Associates
Pinkham. George F.
Pinkham. Walter S.
Paul. George F. H.
Roman Catholic Cemetery Assocⁿ.
Ryan. Francis H.
Richardson. Elizabeth L.
Ridler. Charles E.
Rawson. William M.
Rockwell. Frederick J.
Rockwell. Benjamin
Rice. Jacob
Shooner. Annie M.
Spring. Charles F.
Sullivan. Andrew J.
Smith. George W.
Sawyer. Armenia R.
Schmidt. Joseph
Spear. Stella S.
Scott. James E.
Sterling. Henry
Stanton. Catherine
Stueber. Charles F. J.
Sorensen. Niels P.
Shuttleworth. Austin J.
Sweetser. Moses F.
Sherman. Franklin P.
Spillane. Jeremiah C.
Thayer. Mary J.
Thayer. William H.
Tucker. Wm A. } Trustees under the will of James Tucker.
Tucker. Herbert A. }
Tucker. Helen M.
Tucker. Stillman A. Heirs of
Thompson. James N.
Turner. Robert
Tessin. Rebecca W.
Twombly. Ellen R.
Taylor. Emma F.
Todd. Francis
Totman. George R.
Tilden Edward F.
Vinal. David Heirs
Viano. Florence D.
Westcott. Asa A.
Westcott. Frank F.
Westcott. Maria F.
Westcott. David H.
Westcott. Augustus W.
Westcott. Wilmarth A.
Wheeler. Charles O.
Wheeler. Elisha
Walley. Clara L.
Walley. William P. Exec.
Whittredge. Albert W.
Wilson. John H.
White. Mary A.
White. Nicholas
Ward. Sylvester L. Heirs of
Ward. Francis J.

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West. Annie — Webb. Charles F.
Whitney. John H. Heirs. — Young. Ellen D.

And all other persons and parties owning or having any rights in estates that will be benefited by the said locating and laying out of the said park or parks, that this Board intends to assess a portion of the expense thereof upon the estates so benefited, according to law; and that Tuesday the eighth day of May, at 2 o'clock P. M. and the Park Commissioners' office, 509 Exchange Building, No. 53 State Street, in said Boston, are assigned as the time and place for hearing any objections which may be made to said assessment.

Adjourned to April 27 at 2 P. M.

Geo. F. Clarke.
Sec'y.

Boston, April 27, 1894.

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P. M. Present Messrs Hendricken and Sprague. Genl. Walker being absent from the city. Also present Messrs Jackson, Howe and J. C. Olmsted

The application of Patrick J. Clark for position of laborer or gardener was received and refered to the Engineer in Charge

A communication from Philip Ronca regarding rent of refectory at Marine Park was received and laid on the table.

A communication from Edward Thompson regarding the completion of Tremont Entrance was received and placed on file.

A communication from J. M. Field requesting an appointment on the police force was received and placed on file.

The application of Benjamin C. Low for examination for reappointment on the police force was rejected

A request from the Sergeants of Park Police for permission to wear service chevrons was received and it was

Voted, that the uniform of the park police hereafter conform to that used in the city police force, in respect to service chevrons for patrolmen and bullion stripes for Sergeants.

The request of Sergeant Murphy for permission to attend a series of lectures and Field Meetings at the Arnold Arboretum during May and June was rejected.

A communication from Mrs. Wellin regarding the planting of the ground occupied by her and removal of greenhouses was received, and the Secretary was directed to notify her that the Board does not contemplate disturbing the ground this season and suggests that she confer with the N. Y. N. H. & H. R. R. as to whether the work of raising the railroad will require the use of the grounds this season

A hearing on the question of assessing betterments for the Dorchester parkway was held pursuant to the notice thereof, passed April 2. 1894.

John J. Gallagher, 40 Carson Street stated that the filling of the parkway backed up the water and left the street in a bad condition causing an injury to his property and he therefore objected to being assessed a betterment.

Thomas Igo, 44 Carson Street, objected to the filling of the Parkway which he said has become a regular nuisance on his premises and it was of no benefit to him.

Barthelomew O. Brien did not think that he should pay a betterment as the filling of the Parkway had raised it five feet above the lower part of his lot.

James Mc. Pherson, Buttonwood Street, stated that his little house was too far removed from the Parkway to receive a benefit from it.

Dennis Driscoll, Buttonwood Street, objected to

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paying a betterment as the Parkway did not benefit the marsh lands which were becoming a nuisance. In addition a stable had been built in the rear of his house.

Payson E. Tucker, Trustee, said that the Parkway does not come up to their land and thought that it did not receive a betterment.

Sophia L. Peterson, said that as her property was all the support she has she ought not to be asked to pay a betterment.

Johanna Kelley, widow, Dorchester avenue and Grafton street, did not think the Parkway of any benefit to her as it is so far away.

F. E. Brievogel, corner Grafton & Buttonwood streets stated that he did not object to a park betterment but did object to the manner of assessing the betterment.

Bridget Smith, widow, 118 Buttonwood street, said that her property was quite a distance away from the Parkway and was all the support she has.

Ann Young, Buttonwood street, said she did not think that she ought to pay a betterment being poor and a widow.

Catherine Sullivan, 29 Moseley avenue, said that the water backs up so as to flood the cellars and low ground and is a damage to their property.

Charles A. McAfee, objected to being assessed on Buttonwood Court.

Mr. Plume for Mr. Tezie, Dorchester avenue, said that by the taking the remaining land is destroyed, as it is too small a lot to build on if restrictions are to be put on, requiring buildings to be set back twenty feet from the Parkway. He also represented the estate of Spooner & Smith which he said is increased in value, but how much he could not say. They had it for sale but could not sell at present and no one can tell what the betterment is.

Charles H. Ruggles, 51 Buttonwood street, said that he did not think there is much betterment at

present, the Parkway being unfinished.

Edward McIntire, corner Mt. Vernon and Buttonwood streets, said that the Parkway is an injury as it is filled high above the grade of Mt. Vernon street.

Catherine Walch, Moseley avenue, said that the filling of the Parkway flooded the vacant land between it and her house and had caused sickness in her family.

Simon Frazer, for Sarah Frazer, Moseley avenue, said that they were damaged in the same way, and does not believe that he can get to day within three hundred dollars of what he could have gotten a year ago, for his estate.

Patrick Ryder, 199 Buttonwood street, said that, he was over three hundred feet away from the park and that the construction of the park has caused an injury to his property.

Charlotte E. France, Moseley avenue, said that the filling of the park has caused damage by flooding the low land and that it throws their property into a hollow.

Voted, that the Engineer in charge be authorized to procure the stone stakes required at Ward's Pond.

Voted, that the Secretary arrange for the sale of the buildings on the Parkman estate to be torn down.

A proposition from Moulton & O'Mahoney for building a wall and excavating on Perkins and Chestnut streets for the sum of seven dollars per cu. yard for wall and thirty five cents per cu yd. for excavation was received and it was

Voted, that the offer be accepted.

Messrs Bartwell and Richardson's request for payment of two thousand dollars on account of services as Architects on the refectory building was received and the Secretary stated that Mr. Bartwell had offered to furnish the new plans

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for 1/4 pc. of the cost of the building. It was, thereupon Voted, that the Chairman approve a draft for

two thousand dollars on account.

The request of Mrs. Pierce for a stone step from her old house at Jamaica Park was received and it was Voted, that the request be granted provided she pays therefor such sum as may be fixed by the Engineer in Charge as its value to this department.

The bill of Thomas Hills for inspection and estimates of estates taken for Franklin Field was approved.

A communication from Charles S. Penhallow, with petitions, remonstrating against the erection of bath houses at Jamaica Pond was received and laid on the table.

The communication of E. C. Welch regarding the carved staircase rails in the Parkman house was taken from the table, and it was

Voted, that permission be granted to the family of the late Francis Parkman to remove the carved staircase rails from the Parkman house.

The City Engineer submitted contracts for the employment of labor with H. P. Nawn, Michael Kiernan and Frank J. Hannon with bond for five hundred dollars in each case the first two of which were signed and sent to the mayor for approval.

The offer of Perkins & Hill to deliver dredged material on the Strandway at twenty five cents per cu. yd. and rehandle the same for ten cents per cu. yd was taken from the table and placed on file.

An offer of park seats for sale from L. K. Hirsch was received and placed on file.

A communication from Robert M. Morse requesting establishment of the parkway line on Pond street adjoining his estate was received and placed on file, the Engineer in Charge stating that the work had been ordered to be done.

The proposition of J. A. Hendrie & Bro. regarding the payment of bills by way of rent for refreshment

privilege at Franklin Park was received & it was
Voted, that the proposition be accepted.

The City Council order regarding foundation and
base for the John Boyle O'Reilly Statue was received
and placed on file.

A request was received from the Swedish Congrega-
tional Church to hold a picnic at Franklin Field
which was granted, provided they put up tempora-
ry toilet arrangements.

A communication from Mrs. Field tendering
thanks for permission granted for boy's drill at
Charlesbank was received and placed on file.

P. J. Dinn's statement of the condition of works
on the iron fence for Chapel bridge was received
from A. H. French and the Secretary was directed
to inform the Mayor accordingly.

The request of J. J. Quigley for permit to run
steamers from Marine Park to Castle Island, also
for immediate construction of the wharf was receiv-
ed and placed on file. Mr. Olmsted stating that he
expected soon to submit a plan to provide electric
launches for this service.

Communication from Charles H. Dodge regarding
the disposition of the filling to be excavated from
the site of the bridge at Franklin Park, also as to the
time of completing said bridge were received
and placed on file. Mr. Dodge also submitted
his bond which was approved and the contract
was executed.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be author-
ized to hire a steam road roller at thirteen
dollars per day.

Mr. Sprague reported that he had settled
with Gaston & Snow the cases of James W. Gerard
for land taken for Franklin Field, for eighteen
hundred and twenty five dollars and taxable
costs, and Joseph G. Floyd et. al, for thirty
thousand dollars with all costs. It was thereupon

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Voted, that the City Solicitor is authorized to settle the suit of James H. Gerard for damages for the taking of land for Franklin Field, for the sum of eighteen hundred and twenty-five dollars and taxable costs.

Voted, that the City Solicitor be authorized to settle the suit of Joseph G. Floyd et. al, for damages for the taking of land for Franklin Field, for the sum of thirty thousand dollars without costs.

Voted, to assume the betterments upon the estate belonging to John J. Gilbridge on account of the laying out of the public park in Roxbury known as the Parkway, Muddy River, by an act of this Board passed April 30, 1890. provided that said Gilbride shall release to the City of Boston all claims for damages on account of the locating, laying out, and construction of said park; shall execute and deliver to said City a deed of all the lands including in or abutting on Kimball street, which were taken by said act from him or from Hannah P. Sawtelle, to include all the covenants, agreements, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of Public Park Deed for the Parkway, Muddy River, said deed and release to be satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

Mr. Joseph Ham came before the Board and offered to settle for the land taken from him for the Streetway for the assessed valuation on the usual terms providing for restrictions on his remaining land and the assumption of betterments by the City. It was thereupon

Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board passed April 29. 1892. a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land in or near Old Harbor, so called, in that part of the City of Boston which was formerly Dorchester, belonging to Messrs.

persons or parties claiming a certain parcel of land belonged to Joseph Ham as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to Joseph Ham the sum of thirty-nine and 75/100 dollars upon his proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same including all the covenants, agreements, restrictions and conditions, contained in the printed form of Public Park Deed for the Parkway, South Boston, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking satisfactory to the City Solicitor, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

The Secretary stated that Mr. Corbett, representing Lewis J. Lamb, had offered to settle for the amount estimated by the Commissioners, on the usual terms as to restrictions and betterments. It was thereupon

Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board passed April 29, 1892, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston, by taking in fee certain parcels of land in or near Old Harbor, so called, in that part of the City of Boston which was formerly Dorchester, belonging to several persons or parties, claiming a certain parcel of land belonged to Lewis J. Lamb as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to said Lewis J. Lamb the sum of one hundred and forty-six dollars upon his proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same containing an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking provided that the owner of the remaining portion of said parcel, formerly owned by said Lamb, shall grant to the City the right to agree the filling of said park

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upon paid remaining land by a deed including all the covenants, agreements, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of Public Park Deed for the Parkway South Boston, both paid deeds to be satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

At the request of the Board of Police through Mr. Sprague the Board reconsidered its action taken March 23. 1894, in regard to the granting of liquor licenses upon premises bording upon or within one hundred feet of the public parks, and it was

Voted, to adhere to that request.

Adjourned to April 28. at 10. A. M.

Geo. F. Clarke.
Sec'y.

Boston, April 28. 1894.

The adjourned meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 10 A. M.

Present messrs Kendrichen, Walker and Sprague.

The Board considered the matter of the assessment of betterments for the locating and laying out of Jamaica Park and Riverway and Dorchesterway and Strandway and passed votes assessing betterments as follows;

Schedule of Assessments made by the Board of Park Commissioners upon the estates benefited by the locating and laying out of a public park or parks in that part of the City of Boston called West Roxbury, as authorized and enacted by two certain acts of the General Court, passed respectively April 29. 1892, and December 24. 1892, the expense of such location and laying out being four hundred and ninety nine thousand and ninety two Dollars and sixty two cents. ($499.092.62)

Lot No. on Assessment Plan.	Approximate Area in Feet.	Owners, or Parties Interested.	Boundaries, or Location on Street.	Whole benefit and advantage received beyond the general advantages to all real estate in the City of Boston.	Amount Assessed.
1	766,850	George S. Curtis	Bounded W. by Parkway; N. by Perkins st.; E. by estate of Maria Perry; N. by estates of Maria Perry, C. E. Spooner, and H. C. Henderson, heirs of Simeon P. Atkins and Wm. P. Gould; E. and N. by estate of the heirs of Joseph H. Curtis; E. by Centre st.; S., N., and E. by estate of the heirs of Joseph H. Curtis.	$39,300 00	$19,650 00
2	681,900	Heirs of Joseph H. Curtis	Bounded W. by Parkway; N.W. and N. by estate of George S. Curtis; E. by Centre st.; S. by estate of C. F. Curtis; E. by estates of C. F. and C. H. Curtis; N. by estate of C. H. Curtis; E. by Centre st.; and S. by estate of Ella C. Adams.	12,260 00	6,130 00
3	132,195	Ella C. Adams, wife of Charles H.	Bounded W. by Parkway; N. by estate of the heirs of Joseph H. Curtis; E. by Centre st.; and S. by estates of Thomas W. Seaverns and heirs of Frederick E. Weber.	6,978 00	3,489 00
4	27,690	Estate of Frederick E. Weber; John D. Bryant, Daniel P. Wise, Otto Kramer, trustees	Bounded W. by Parkway; N. by estate of Ella C. Adams; E. by estate of Thomas W. Seaverns; and S. by Lakeville pl. and estate of Ann M. Spaulding.	2,942 00	1,471 00
5	43,940	Ann M. Spaulding	Bounded W. by Parkway; N. by estate of heirs of F. E. Weber; E. by Lakeville pl.; and S. by estate of James L. Gorham.	7,878 00	3,939 00
6	71,270	James L. Gorham	Bounded W. by Parkway; N. by estate of Ann M. Spaulding and Lakeville pl.; E. by estate of Emily Greene; and S. by estate of heirs of Elven D. Hall.	11,000 00	5,500 00
7	61,110	Heirs of Elven D. Hall	Bounded W. by Parkway; N. by estates of James L. Gorham and Emily Greene; E. by estate of Helene P. Schmidt; and S. by Pond st.	7,044 00	3,522 00
8	56,105	Helene P. Schmidt, wife of Arthur P.	Bounded W. by estate of heirs of Elven D. Hall; N. by estate of Helen F. Folsom; E. by estates of S. R. Corliss, Richard Wade, and R. W. and F. S. Pratt; and S. by Pond st.	1,200 00	600 00
9	92,566	Charles F. Farrington	Bounded N. by Pond st.; E. by Centre st.; S. by estates of Jamaica Plain Baptist Church, McDougall, Williams, and Swett; and W. by estates of Mary E. Cutter, Phœbe A. Norcross, and Louisa M. Adams.	200 00	100 00
10	9,911	Mary E. Cutter, wife of Benjamin F.	Bounded N. by Pond st.; E. by estate of Chas. F. Farrington; S. by estate of Phœbe A. Norcross; and W. by Myrtle st.	396 00	198 00
11	36,067	Anne Elizabeth Morse	Bounded N. by Pond st.; E. by Myrtle st.; S. by estate of Charles H. Miller; and W. by estate of heirs of Abraham O. Bigelow.	1,420 00	710 00
12	40,960	Heirs of Abraham O. Bigelow	Bounded N. by Pond st.; E. by estate of Anne E. Morse; S. by estates of C. H. Miller and C. B. Amory; and W. by Parkway.	3,834 00	1,917 00
13	56,970	Charles B. Amory	Bounded N. by estates of heirs of Abraham O. Bigelow and Charles H. Miller; E. by Myrtle st. and estate of E. B. Sampson; S. by estates of Ellis, Ticknor, and Farrington; and W. by Parkway.	3,000 00	1,500 00
14	59,700	Charles F. Farrington	Bounded N. by estate of C. B. Amory; E. by estate of heirs of Wm. D. Ticknor; S. by Burroughs st.; and W. by Parkway.	5,970 00	2,985 00
15	27,891	Heirs of William D. Ticknor	Bounded N. by estate of Charles B. Amory; E. by estates of C. B. Amory and Benj. H. Ticknor, trustee; S. by Burroughs st.; and W. by estate of Charles F. Farrington.	1,394 00	697 00
16	12,172	Benjamin H. Ticknor, trustee	Bounded N. by estate of Charles B. Amory; E. by estate of H. M. Ellis; S. by Burroughs st.; and W. by estate of heirs of William D. Ticknor.	486 00	243 00
17	19,140	Helen M. Ellis	Bounded N. by estates of C. B. Amory and Erastus B. Sampson; E. by estate of William Rooney; S. by Burroughs st.; and W. by estate of Benj. H. Ticknor, trustee.	192 00	96 00
18	6,480	William J. Miller	Bounded N. by Burroughs st.; E. by estate of Rebecca D. Studley; S. by estate of Mary C. Hutchins; and W. by Agassiz park.	72 00	36 00
19	18,000	Frances S. Johnson	Bounded N. by Burroughs st.; E. by Agassiz park; S. by estate of Charlotte L. Burge; and W. by estate of William L. Tiffany.	480 00	240 00
20	21,425	William L. Tiffany	Bounded N. by Burroughs st.; E. by estates of Frances S. Johnson and Charlotte L. Burge; S. by estate of Wm. E. James; and W. by estate of Robert M. Morse.	1,050 00	525 00
21	47,988	Robert M. Morse	Bounded N. by Burroughs st.; E. by estate of Wm. L. Tiffany; S. by estate of Edward M. Smith; and W. by Parkway.	4,800 00	2,400 00
22	47,132	Edward M. Smith	Bounded N. by estate of Robt. M. Morse; E. by estates of Wm. L. Tiffany and Wm. E. James; S. by Eliot st.; and W. by Parkway.	4,712 00	2,356 00
23	20,450	William E. James	Bounded N. by estate of William L. Tiffany; E. by estates of C. L. Burge and Sarah L. James; S. by Eliot st.; and W. by estate of Edward M. Smith.	818 00	409 00
24	19,064	Sarah L. James, wife of William E.	Bounded N. by estate of C. L. Burge; E. by estate of Mabel M. Lee; S. by Eliot st.; and W. by estate of William E. James.	572 00	286 00
25	13,947	Mabel M. Lee, wife of Daniel D.	Bounded N. by estates of C. L. Burge and R. Devens and M. L. Downes; E. by estate of Joseph P. Shaw; S. by Eliot st.; and W. by estate of Sarah L. James.	220 00	110 00
26	20,067	Arabella Small, wife of Fred S.	Bounded N. by Eliot st.; E. by estate of E. G. Smith; S. by estate of Clifton E. Wing; and W. by estate of William E. James.	400 00	200 00
27	13,930	William E. James	Bounded N. by Eliot st.; E. by estate of Arabella Small; S. by estates of C. E. Wing and C. H. Wing; and W. by estate of William Minot, Jr., trustee.	416 00	208 00
28	13,728	William Minot, Jr., trustee for Eunice A. Balch	Bounded N. by Eliot st.; E. by estate of William E. James; S. by estates of C. H. Wing and Emeline Wing; and W. by estate of J. S. English.	550 00	275 00
29	16,400	James S. English	Bounded N. by Eliot st.; E. by estate of William Minot, Jr., trustee; S. by estate of Emeline Wing; and W. by estate of Charles S. Penhallow.	736 00	368 00
30	8,735	Charles S. Penhallow	Bounded N. by Eliot st.; E. by estate of J. S. English; S. by estate of C. H. Wing, *et al.*, trustees; and W. by estate of Frances H. Downes.	524 00	262 00
31	13,118	Frances H. Downes	Bounded N. by Eliot st.; E. by estate of C. S. Penhallow; S. by estate of C. H. Wing, *et al.*, trs.; and W. by Parkway.	1,966 00	983 00
32	22,637	Charles H. Wing, Charles F. Curtis, trustees under will of Sewall B. Wing	Bounded N. by estates of F. H. Downes and C. S. Penhallow; E. by estate of Emeline Wing; S. by Orchard st.; and W. by Parkway.	3,396 00	1,698 00
33	22,000	Emeline Wing	Bounded N. by estate of J. S. English; E. by estate of Charles H. Wing; S. by Orchard st.; and W. by estate of C. H. Wing, *et al.*, trustees.	1,248 00	624 00
34	34,495	Charles H. Wing	Bounded N. by estates of William Minot, Jr., tr., and William E. James; E. by estate of C. E. Wing; S. by Orchard st.; and W. by estate of Emeline Wing.	960 00	480 00

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35	53,194	Clifton E. Wing	Bounded N. by estates of Arabella Small and E. G. Smith; E. by estate of heirs of Nathaniel Curtis; S. and E. by estate of M. J. Harrington; S. by Orchard st.; and W. by estate of C. H. Wing.	$560 00	$280 00
36	25,000	M. Josephine Harrington, wife of Charles.	Bounded N. by estate of C. E. Wing; E. by estates of heirs of Nathaniel Curtis and Emeline Wing; S. by Orchard st.; and W. by estate of C. E. Wing.	190 00	95 00
37	4,914	William E. Manger	Bounded N.E'ly by estate of Susan P. Adams; S.E'ly by estates of S. P. Adams and Mechanics Savings Bank of Lowell; S.W'ly by Orchard st.; and N.W'ly by estate of Mehitabel P. Curtis.	98 00	49 00
38	2,944	Susan P. Adams	Bounded N.E'ly and S.E'ly by estate of Mechanics' Savings Bank of Lowell; S.W'ly by Orchard st.; and N. W'ly by estate of William E. Manger.	58 00	29 00
39	51,381	Mechanics Savings Bank of Lowell	Bounded N.E'ly by estate of the heirs of Nathaniel Curtis; S.E'ly by Centre st.; S.W'ly by Orchard st.; N.W'ly and S.W'ly by estate of S. P. Adams; and N. W'ly by estates of Wm. E. Manger and S. P. Adams.	1,396 00	698 00
40	14,398	Mary S. Gill, wife of Charles S	Bounded N.E'ly by Orchard st.; S.E'ly and S.W'ly by estate of Edward M. Brewer *et als.;* and N.W'ly by Parkway.	2,158 00	1,079 00
41	8,194	Alice M. Ellis, wife of Edward	Bounded N.E'ly by Orchard st.; S.E'ly, S.W'ly and N. W'ly by estate of Edward M. Brewer *et al.*	328 00	164 00
42	213,324	Edward M. Brewer, Joseph Brewer, Eliza Brewer, heirs of John D. Brewer	Bounded N.E'ly and N.W'ly by estate of M. S. Gill; N. E'ly by Orchard st.; S.E'ly, N.E'ly, and N.W'ly by estate of Alice M. Ellis; N.E'ly by Orchard st.; S.E'ly, S.W'ly, and S.E'ly by estate of the heirs of Abijah Seaverns; and S.W'ly and N.W'ly by the Parkway.	16,894 00	8,447 00
43	308,396	Abijah Seaverns estate, F. V. Balch, trustee, 8-9; George A. Seaverns, trustee, 1-9.	Bounded N.W'ly, N.E'ly and N.W'ly by estate of Edward M. Brewer *et als.;* N.E'ly by Orchard st.; S. E'ly, S., and S.W'ly by Parkway.	23,948 00	11,974 00
44	37,000	Heirs of George W. Goldsmith	Bounded N. by Centre st.; E. by Goldsmith st.; S. by estate of Reuben Marsh; E. by estates of Reuben Marsh and John Glennon; N. by estate of John Glennon; E. by Goldsmith st.; S. by a private way; and W. by the Arnold Arboretum.	2,220 00	1,110 00
45	32,156	Heirs of George W. Goldsmith	Bounded W. and N. by a private way; E. by Goldsmith st.; S. and E. by estates of Flynn, Kelley, Ashmore, and Dolan; and S. by estate of Thomas F. Cain.	1,930 00	965 00
46	4,743	Thomas F. Cain	Bounded N. by estate of Goldsmith; E. by estate of Thomas Dolan; S. by Custer st.; and W. by a private way.	284 00	142 00
47	26,160	Louise Duplain, wife of Joseph	Bounded N. by Custer st.; E. by Goldsmith st.; S. by Parkway; and W. by a private way.	720 00	360 00
48	14,800	Louise Duplain, wife of Joseph	Bounded N. by Parkway; E. and S. by estates of English, Flynn, Daley, Grantham, and Morgan; and W. by the Arnold Arboretum.	424 00	212 00
49	5,078	Edward Lyons	Bounded N. and E'ly by Jamaica pl.; S. by estate of P. T. and E. M. Reardon; and W. by Arnold Arboretum.	202 00	101 00
50	5,712	Patrick T. and Ellen M. Reardon	Bounded N. by estate of Edw. Lyons; E. by Jamaica pl.; S. by estate of Wm. A. Mosman; and W. by the Arnold Arboretum.	228 00	114 00
51	1,923	Wm. A. Mosman	Bounded N. by estate of P. T. and E. M. Reardon; E. by Jamaica pl.; S. by estate of Edwin K. Brown, Dawson Johnson, and Geo. W. Macauley; and W. by the Arnold Arboretum.	76 00	38 00
52	176,800	Edwin K. Brown, Dawson Johnson, and George W. Macauley	Bounded N. by estates of W. A. Mosman, Jas. L. Kelley, Wm. H. Mulrey, Keran Rooney, Fergus Riley, Kelley, Curley, Dolan heirs, Gateley, and Grady; S.E. by estate of B. Foley, Johnson st., and estates of A. L. Tompkins and Sam'l and Aug. B. Bradstreet; and S.W. and W. by the Arnold Arboretum.	2,320 00	1,160 00
53	462,022	Samuel and Augustus B. Bradstreet	Bounded N. by estates of A. L. Tompkins, Babb, Breen, Singer, Phelan, Welch, McNamara, Johnson, Schleicher, and John Gormley; E. and N. by estate of McMorrow; E. by South st.; S.W'ly by Arnold Arboretum; and N.W'ly by estate of Brown, Johnson, and Macauley.	6,448 00	3,224 00
54	30,830	Samuel and Augustus B. Bradstreet	Bounded N. by estates of Michael Goodwin, Stanton, Johnson, McKernan, Brady, and Weed; E. by N.Y., N.H. & H. R.R.; S. by Parkway; and W. by South st.	2,466 00	1,233 00
55	2,872 00	Michael Goodwin	Bounded N. by estate of Sarah S. Chesley; E. by estate of Michael Stanton; S. by estate of S. and A. B. Bradstreet; and W. by South st.	172 00	86 00
56	6,119	Sarah S. Chesley, wife of Samuel A.	Bounded N. by St. Marks st.; E. by estate of Michael Stanton; S. by estate of Michael Goodwin; and W. by South st.	122 00	61 00
57	20,194	Samuel and Augustus B. Bradstreet	Bounded N. by estate of Jacob W. Seaver; S.E'ly by Washington st.; S. by Parkway; and N.W'ly by N.Y., N.H. & H. R.R.	1,672 00	836 00
58	83,800	Jacob W. Seaver	Bounded N. by estate of Jas. V. Pool; S.E'ly by Washington st.; S. by estate of Sam'l and Aug. B. Bradstreet; and N.W'ly by N.Y., N.H. & H. R.R.	1,000 00	500 00
58½	8,800	Mary M. McCauley	Bounded N.E'ly by estate of Tobin; S.E'ly by Stony brook; S.W'ly by estate of Seaver; and N.W'ly by Washington st.	352 00	176 00
59	21,700	Jacob W. Seaver, ½, George F. Weld and Jacob W. Seaver, trustees, ½	Bounded N.E'ly by estate of Mary M. McCauley; S. E'ly by Stony brook; S. by Parkway; and N.W'ly by Washington st.	1,354 00	677 00
60	476,000	Jacob W. Seaver, ½, George F. Weld and Jacob W. Seaver, trustees, ½	Bounded N. by estates of Parkinson, Pratt, and Snow; E. and S.E'ly by Forest Hills st.; S. by Parkway; and N.W'ly by Stony brook.	14,354 00	7,177 00
61	237,880	Frances D. Perkins and Edward C. Perkins, trustees under will of Charles C. Perkins	Bounded N.E'ly by Chestnut st.; S.E'ly and S. by Parkway; W'ly by estate of Sarah P. Cleveland; and N'ly by the Town of Brookline.	3,354 00	1,677 00
62	197,700	S. Lathrop Thorndike, Charles P. Gardiner, and Edward N. Perkins, trustees for Sarah P. Cleveland	Bounded N.E'ly by estate of heirs of C. C. Perkins; S. E'ly by Parkway; S.W'ly by estate of Quincy A. Shaw; and N.W'ly by the Town of Brookline.	1,220 00	610 00
63	594,600	Quincy A. Shaw	Bounded N.E'ly by estate of Sarah P. Cleveland; S. E'ly by Parkway; W. by estate of heirs of Henriette S. Sargent; and N. by Town of Brookline.	9,600 00	4,800 00
64	5,500	Julia Shea	Bounded N. by estate of Margaret Devine; E. by a private way; S. by Perkins st.; and W. by estate of the heirs of Patrick McDermott.	274 00	137 00
65	28,930	Heirs of Patrick McDermott	Bounded N. by estates of Meehan and Conboy; E. by estates of McDonald, Devine, and Shea; S. by Perkins st.; and W. by estate of P. B. Smith *et als.*	1,446 00	723 00
66	47,100	Phineas B. Smith *et als.*	Bounded W. and N. by estate of heirs of Sargent; E. by estates of Rohan, Lyons, Meehan, and McDermott; and S. by Perkins st.	1,120 00	560 00
67	276,200	Heirs of Henriette S. Sargent	Bounded N.W'ly by the Town of Brookline; E. by estate of Q. A. Shaw; S. by Perkins st.; W. by a private way and estates of Shortell and Smith *et als.;* S. by estates of Smith *et als.* and Rohan; E. by estate of P. B. Smith *et als.;* and S. by Perkins st.	4,434 00	2,217 00
67½	174,240	James T. Davis	On S.W. side of Prince st., between Town of Brookline and estate of Wm. G. Weld.	1,250 00	625 00
68	174,240	William G. Weld	On S.W. side of Prince st., between estate of James T. Davis and the estate of Robert Bacon and Francis C. Welch, trustees.	2,760 00	1,380 00
69	913,600	Robert Bacon and Francis C. Welch, trustees	Bounded N.W'ly by estates of C. G. Weld, J. T. Davis, and Wm. G. Weld; E. by Prince st.; S.E'ly and S. W'ly by estate of Eben Bacon; S.E'ly by estates of Eben Bacon and R. C. Billings; and S.W'ly by estate of R. C. Billings.	18,256 00	9,128 00
70	287,800	Eben Bacon	Bounded N.W'ly, N.E'ly, and N.W'ly by estate of Bacon and Welch, trustees; E. by Prince st.; S.E. by estates of Balch and Rice; and S.W. by estate of Billings.	6,472 00	3,236 00

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71	73,130	Francis V. Balch	Bounded N.W'ly by estate of Eben Bacon; E. by Prince st.; S. by estate of the heirs of Josiah S. Robinson; and W. by estate of Eliza G. Rice.	$4,416 00	$2,208 00
72	68,300	Heirs of Josiah S. Robinson	Bounded N. by estate of Francis V. Balch; E. by Prince st.; S.E. by Parkway; S. by Pond st.; and W. by estate of Eliza G. Rice.	6,100 00	3,050 00
73	212,426	Eliza G. Rice, wife of Edward D.	Bounded N. by estate of Eben Bacon; E. by estates of Balch and heirs of Robinson; S. by Pond st.; and W. by estate of Billings.	3,000 00	1,500 00
74	45,000	Lizzie M. Payson	Bounded N. by Pond st.; E. and S. by estate of Edward M. Brewer, *et als.*; and W. by estate of Leatherbee.	462 00	231 00
75	127,823	Edward M. Brewer, Joseph Brewer, Eliza Brewer, heirs of John D. Brewer	Bounded N. by Pond st.; E. by Parkway; S. by estate of Theresa May; S.W. by May st.; N. by estates of Leatherbee and Payson; and W. by estate of Payson.	10,480 00	5,240 00
76	77,525	Theresa May	Bounded N. by estate of Edw. M. Brewer, *et als.*; E. by Parkway; S. by estate of I. M. Carter; and W. by May st.	4,044 00	2,022 00
77	49,670	Isabella M. Carter, wife of Thomas W.	Bounded N. by estate of Theresa May; E. by Parkway; S. by estate of Abijah Seaverns; and W. by May st.	5,520 00	2,760 00
78	41,150	Abijah Seaverns estate; F. V. Balch, trustee, $\frac{1}{3}$, George A. Seaverns, $\frac{2}{3}$	Bounded N.W'ly by estate of Carter; E. by Parkway; S. by Parkway and Centre st.; and W. by May st.	4,938 00	2,469 00
79	100,000	Henry P. Bowditch, Charles P. Bowditch, Alfred Bowditch, Richard Stone, trustees Bowditch Real Estate Trust	On S.W'ly side of May st., between Pond st. and estate of Agnes L. Balch.	3,000 00	1,500 00
80	231,000	Heirs of Joseph W. Balch	Bounded S.W'ly and N.W'ly by estate of the Bowditch Real Estate Trust; N.E'ly by May st.; and S.E'ly by Centre st.	1,124 00	562 00
81	36,136	Wm. H. Homes	Bounded N. and N.E'ly by Parkway; S.E'ly by estates of Vossler, Bates, and Downey; S.W'ly by estate of W. H. Goodwin; and N.W'ly by Centre st.	3,612 00	1,806 00
82	3,543	Adele Vossler	On S. side of Parkway, between estates of Homes and Murray.	354 00	177 00
83	2,742	Eben Murray	On S.W'ly side of Parkway, between estate of Vossler and Weld Park.	274 00	137 00
84	2,525	Annie O'Donnell, wife of John	On S.W'ly side of Parkway, between Weld Park and Arnold Arboretum.	250 00	125 00
85	5,840	William H. Ring and Rose Ring	On S.E'ly side of Weld Park between estates of O'Donnell and Downey.	234 00	117 00
86	6,020	Edward F. Bates	On N.W'ly side of Weld Park between estates of Murray and Downey.	240 00	120 00
87	13,042	Martin E. Downey	Bounded N.E'ly by Weld Park and estates of Bates and Ring; S.E'ly by Arnold Arboretum; S.W'ly by estate of W. H. Goodwin; and N.W'ly by estate of W. H. Homes.	260 00	130 00
88	152,450	William H. Goodwin	Bounded N.W'ly by Centre st.; N.E'ly by estates of Homes and Downey; S.E'ly by the Arnold Arboretum; and S.W'ly by estate of Butler.	1,124 00	562 00
89	222,700	Andrew J. Peters	On S.W. corner of South and Walk Hill sts.	600 00	300 00
90	19,026	Boston & Providence Railroad Co.	Bounded N. by Morton st.; S.E'ly by the location of the B. & P. R.R.; and S.W'ly by Walk Hill st.	692 00	346 00
91	29,772	Mary A. McLaren, wife of Anthony M.	Bounded N. by Morton st.; S.E'ly by Washington st.; S.W'ly and N.W'ly by B. & P. R.R. Co.	692 00	346 00
92	23,950	Sarah A. Seaver, wife of Jacob W.	Bounded N. by Morton st.; S.E'ly and S. by Stony brook; and S.W'ly by Washington st.	958 00	479 00
93	277,850	Jacob W. Seaver	On S. side Morton st.; between Stony brook and estate of Emma Gelpke.	3,188 00	1,594 00
94	204,000	Jacob W. Seaver, $\frac{1}{2}$; George F. Weld, Jacob W. Seaver, trustees, $\frac{1}{2}$	Bounded N'ly by Parkway; E'ly by Forest Hills st.; and S. by Morton st.	10,528 00	5,264 00
95	33,450	Emma Gelpke	On S. side Morton st., between estates of Seaver and Flanders.	190 00	95 00
96	14,974	Delia P. Flanders	On S. side Morton st., between estates of Gelpke and Atkinson.	150 00	75 00
97	31,940	Anna N. Atkinson, wife of Byron A.	On S. side Morton st., between estate of Flanders and a passageway.	460 00	230 00
98	9,460	Baily L. Page	On S. side Morton st., between passageway and estate of Munroe.	284 00	142 00
99	6,300	Martha A. Munroe	On S. side Morton st., between estates of Page and Williams.	190 00	95 00
100	19,836	Henry D. Williams	On S. side Morton st., between estate of Munroe and Union Terrace.	376 00	188 00

Whereas, pursuant to two certain acts of this Board, passed respectively on April 29. 1892. and December 24. 1892 a public park or parks was located and laid out in that part of the City of Boston called West Roxbury at an expense of four hundred and ninety nine thousand and ninety two $\frac{62}{100}$ dollars; and whereas, in the opinion of the Board, the estates named in the foregoing schedule have been benefited by the location or laying out of said park or parks, and due notice has been given of the intention of the Board to assess betterments thereon: it is therefore hereby Voted, That the estates named in the schedule be, and they hereby are respectively charged with the sums therein severally set against them; such sums so assessed not exceeding one-half of the amount of the adjudged benefit to the estates by the said location and laying out.

April 28. 1894.

Schedule of Assessments made by the Board of Park Commissioners upon the estates benefited by the locating and laying out of a public park or parks in that part of the City of Boston called Dorchester as authorized and enacted by a certain act of the Board, passed April 29, 1892, the expense of such location and laying out being one hundred and sixty two thousand, two hundred and fifty six $\frac{87}{100}$ dollars.

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1	469,800	Heirs of Choate Burnham	Bounded N. by Ninth st.; E. by land of Hills and the Parkway; S.E. by Parkway; and S.W. by land of the heirs of G. Wait.	$4,560 00	$2,280 00
2	58,000	Heirs of Gilbert Wait	On W. side of Parkway, between two estates of the heirs of Choate Burnham.	320 00	160 00
3	119,000	Heirs of Choate Burnham	On W. side of Parkway, between land of the heirs of G. Wait and land of Wm. P. Fitzgerald.	640 00	320 00
4	187,000	William P. Fitzgerald	On W. side of Parkway, between land of the heirs of C. Burnham and land of the heirs of A. Tucker.	880 00	440 00
5	134,000	Heirs of Atherton Tucker	On W. side of Parkway, between land of W. P. Fitzgerald and land of Franklin King.	300 00	150 00
6	290,000	Franklin King	On W. side of Parkway, between land of the heirs of A. Tucker and land of the heirs of A. Russ.	960 00	480 00
7	80,500	Heirs of Augustus Russ	On W. side of Parkway, between land of Franklin King and land of Cushing and Smith.	4,920 00	2,460 00
8	170,000	Heirs of George B. Cushing, $\frac{2}{3}$; George M. Smith, $\frac{1}{3}$	On W. side of Parkway, between two estates of the heirs of A. Russ.	1,760 00	880 00
9	420,800	Heirs of Augustus Russ	On W. side of Parkway, between two estates of Cushing and Smith.	2,640 00	1,320 00
10	164,000	Heirs of George B. Cushing, $\frac{2}{3}$; George M. Smith, $\frac{1}{3}$	On W. side of Parkway, between land of the heirs of A. Russ and land of Welsh and Weld.	1,080 00	540 00
11	182,400	Willard Welsh and Stephen Weld	On W. side of Parkway, between land of Smith and Cushing, and land of the heirs of F. A. Green.	1,520 00	760 00
12	84,300	Heirs of Frederick A. Green	On W. side of Parkway, between land of Welch and Weld, and land of J. P. and H. C. Howe.	720 00	360 00
13	80,000	John P. Howe and Henry C. Howe	On W. side of Parkway, between land of heirs of F. A. Green and land of Bearse and Tobey.	680 00	340 00
14	193,000	Owen Bearse and Gerrad C. Tobey	Bounded N. by land of Howe; E. by Parkway; S. by land of Moseley and by Parkway; W. by O.C. R.R.	2,780 00	1,390 00
15	31,000	Mary E. Moseley, George S. Merrill; Edward C. Moseley, Frank Moseley, trustees	Bounded N. by land of Bearse and Tobey; S. by Parkway.	1,860 00	930 00
16	96,612	Joseph Ham	On S. side of Parkway, between a proposed street and the Harbor Commissioners' line.	2,400 00	1,200 00
17	61,850	John P. Howe and Henry C. Howe	Bounded N.W. by land of Moseley and by Parkway; N.E. by a proposed street and by land of Moseley; S.E. by land of Moseley; and S.W. by Mt. Vernon st.	1,040 00	520 00
18	15,000	Mary E. Moseley, George S. Merrill; Edward C. Moseley, Frank Moseley, trustees	Bounded N.W. by Parkway; S.E. by land of Howe; and S.W. by Mt. Vernon st.	900 00	450 00
19	5,500	Owen Bearse and Gerard C. Tobey	Bounded N. by Mt. Vernon st.; S.E. by land of Moseley; and S.W. by Old Colony Railroad.	320 00	160 00
20	32,920	Mary E. Moseley, George S. Merrill; Edward C. Moseley, Frank Moseley, trustees	Bounded N.W. by land of Bearse and Tobey; N.E. by Mt. Vernon st.; S.E. by land of Howe; and S.W. by Old Colony Railroad.	660 00	330 00
22	22,420	John P. Howe and Henry C. Howe	Bounded N.W. by land of the Bay State Gas Co.; E. by the O.C. R.R.; and S. by the Parkway.	896 00	448 00
23	71,408	Bay State Gas Company	Bounded N.W. by land of Bearse and Tobey; E. by the O.C. R.R.; S.E. by land of Howe; and S. by Mt. Vernon st.	2,080 00	1,040 00
24	156,577	Owen Bearse and Gerard C. Tobey	Bounded N. by Locust st.; E. by O.C. R.R.; S.E. by land of Bay State Gas Co.; S. by Mt. Vernon st.; and W. by Von Hillern st.	750 00	375 00
25	30,000	George Ripley	Bounded N. by land of Dodge; E. by Von Hillern st.; S. by Mt. Vernon st.; and W. by land of Hayden, and Heywood.	900 00	450 00
26	10,000	John E. V. Hayden	Bounded N. by land of Heywood; E. by land of Ripley; S. by Mt. Vernon st.; and W. by a street.	600 00	300 00
27	5,000	Thomas Heywood	Bounded N. by land of Hayden; E. by land of Ripley; S. by land of Hayden; and W. by a street.	200 00	100 00
28	15,000	John E. V. Hayden	Bounded N. by land of Dodge; E. by land of Ripley; S. by land of Heywood; and W. by a street.	450 00	225 00
29	25,000	George Ripley	Bounded N. by land of Kittredge; E. by a street; S. by Mt. Vernon st.; and W. by estates of McIntyre and others.	1,250 00	625 00
31	4,000	Edward McIntyre	On N.E. corner Mt. Vernon and Buttonwood sts.	200 00	100 00
32	3,500	Dennis Driscoll	E. side Buttonwood st., 40 to 75 ft. N. of Mt. Vernon st.	104 00	52 00
33	2,500	Ann Young	E. side Buttonwood st., 75 to 100 ft. N. of Mt. Vernon st.	50 00	25 00
34	2,535	Mary E. Allman, wife of Redmond	E. side Buttonwood st., 100 to 125.35 ft. N. of Mt. Vernon st.	50 00	25 00
35	2,465	Patrick Ryder	E. side Buttonwood st., 125.35 to 150 ft. N. of Mt. Vernon st.	50 00	25 00
36	5,000	Carrie L. Mulligan, wife of Edward D.	E. side Buttonwood st., 150 to 200 ft. N. of Mt. Vernon st.	100 00	50 00
37	6,000	John T. Smith	E. side Buttonwood st., 200 to 260 ft. N. of Mt. Vernon st.	60 00	30 00
40	11,000	Aeneas McEachron	On the N.W. cor. of Mt. Vernon and Buttonwood sts.	330 00	165 00
41	4,000	Johanna McEachron, wife of Aeneas	N. side Mt. Vernon st., between estates of A. McEachron and J. F. Lynch.	80 00	40 00
42	5,000	Ann Young	W. side Buttonwood st., 150 to 200 ft. N. of Mt. Vernon st.	100 00	50 00
43	5,000	Hugh J. Young	W. side Buttonwood st., 200 to 250 ft. N. of Mt. Vernon st.	50 00	25 00
45	9,308	John F. Lynch	Bounded N. by land of Ballantyne; E. by land of McEachron; S. by Mt. Vernon st.; W. by Dorchester ave.; N., W., and S. by land of Houlihan; and W. by Dorchester ave.	186 00	93 00
46	1,692	Honora Houlihan, wife of Patrick	N., E., and S. by land of Lynch; and W. by Dorchester ave.	16 00	8 00
52	13,100	Heirs of Philip J. Tripp	On S.E. cor. of Dorchester ave. and Mt. Vernon st.	524 00	262 00
53	5,000	Ellen Graham, wife of James J.	E. side Dorchester ave., 100 to 150 ft. S. of Mt. Vernon st.	250 00	125 00
54	3,350	Lavina J. Veazie, wife of Warren	N.E. cor. of Dorchester ave. and Parkway.	268 00	134 00
55	3,037	Henry T. Bowers	N. side Parkway, between estates of Veazie and Heywood.	240 00	120 00
56	4,797	Thomas Heywood	W. side Parkway, between land of Bowers and Mt. Vernon st.	384 00	192 00
57	2,100	James J. Graham	S. side Mt. Vernon st., 140 to 170 ft. W. of Dorchester ave.	62 00	31 00
58	117,628	Mary E. Moseley, George S. Merrill; Edward C. Moseley, Frank Moseley, trustees	S.W. cor. Carson st. and the Old Colony Railroad.	900 00	450 00
59	17,939	Mary E. Moseley, George S. Merrill; Edward C. Moseley, Frank Moseley, trustees	S.W. cor. Carson st. and the Parkway.	1,076 00	538 00
66	12,800	John P. Howe and Henry C. Howe	S.E. cor. of Parkway and Moseley ave.	512 00	256 00

Lot No. on Assessment Plan.	Approximate Area in Feet.	Owners, or Parties Interested.	Boundaries, or Location on Street.	Whole benefit and advantage received beyond the general advantages to all real estate in the City of Boston.	Amount Assessed.
91	4,200	Dennis J. Linnehan	S. side Parkway, between estates of Tripp heirs and O'Brien.	$252 00	$126 00
92	5,864	Bartholomew O'Brien	S. side of Parkway, between estate of Linnehan and estate of Spooner and Smith.	292 00	146 00
93	23,779	Daniel W. Spooner and John J. Smith	S. side of Parkway, between estates of O'Brien and Howe.	1,426 00	713 00
94	4,171	Moses Kimball	S.W. corner of Parkway and Buttonwood st.	338 00	169 00
95	157	Rebecca C. Trask, wife of Wm. B.	S. side of Parkway, between estates of Kimball and Shepard.	14 00	7 00
96	17,735	Emily E. Shepard, wife of Otis	Bounded N. by Parkway and estates of Trask and Kimball; E. by Buttonwood st.; S. by estates of Baxter and Griffin.	1,060 00	530 00
97	13,000	Mary E. Griffin, wife of Frank D.	On E. side Dorchester ave., between estates of Shepard and Wilson.	520 00	260 00
98	4,875	Virgil L. Wilson	E. side Dorchester ave., between estates of Griffin and Kelly.	98 00	49 00
101	2,555	Anastasia Mackintosh, wife of James	W. side of Buttonwood st., between estates of Young and Smith.	50 00	25 00
102	2,257	Hannah E. Young, wife of George W.	W. side of Buttonwood st., between estates of Mackintosh and Baxter.	44 00	22 00
103	2,205	Emma C. Baxter, wife of Elmer A.	W. side of Buttonwood st., between estates of Young and Shepard.	44 00	22 00
108	130,000	Heirs of William T. Andrews	N. side of Parkway, between Dorchester ave. and estate of heirs of Richard Clapp.	10,400 00	5,200 00
109	145,000	Heirs of William T. Andrews	S. side of Parkway, between Dorchester ave. and Pond st.	11,600 00	5,800 00
110	30,200	Heirs of Richard Clapp	N. side of Parkway, between estates of Andrews and Stevens.	2,416 00	1,208 00
111	94,915	William S. Stevens	N.E. cor. of Parkway and Boston st.	6,720 00	3,360 00
112	3,901	James V. Devine	Corner of Boston st. and E. Chester park.	390 00	195 00
113	10,244	Samuel B. Pierce	Bounded N. by estate of Living; E. by Boston st.; S. by estate of Devine; and W. by E. Chester park.	614 00	307 00
114	19,320	Mary F. Living	Bounded N. by estate of Johnston; E. by Boston st.; S. by estate of Pierce; W. by E. Chester park; and N. and W. by estate of Keane.	772 00	386 00
115	14,518	John M. Keane	E. side of E. Chester park, between estates of Living and Tuxbury.	374 00	187 00
116	5,307	Heirs of Ellen Gillespie	Corner of East Chester park and Cottage st.	530 00	265 00
117	15,932	Heirs of Horace Dupee	Bounded N.W. by estate of Sears; N.E. by E. Chester park; S.E. by estate of Gillespie; and S.W. by Cottage st.	800 00	400 00
118	16,418	J. Henry Sears	Bounded N.W. by estate of Quinsler; N.E. by E. Chester park; S.E. by estate of Dupee; S.W. by Cottage st.; N.W. and N.E. by estate of Sunter.	492 00	246 00
119	6,784	Jane Sunter	N.E. side Cottage st., between estates of Sears and Converse.	136 00	68 00
120	97,796	Martha Sumner, ½; Payson E. Tucker, trustee, ½	Westerly cor. of Cottage and Boston sts.	1,680 00	840 00
121	33,464	Martha A. Tuttle, wife of Thomas W.	S.E. cor. of Boston st. and Parkway.	1,672 00	836 00
122	23,823	Thomas W. Tuttle	S.W. cor. of Parkway and Sumner st.	1,190 00	595 00
123	20,896	Mary E. Rhodes, wife of T. Munroe	S. cor. of Sumner and Cottage sts.	626 00	313 00
124	13,608	David B. Flint	S.W. side Cottage st., between estates of Rhodes and Mendum.	272 00	136 00
127	45,892	City of Boston, Richardson park	Bounded N. Easterly by Parkway and Pond st.; S.E. by estate of D. C. Brewer; and S.W. by Cottage st.	1,836 00	918 00
128	7,200	D. Chauncey Brewer	Bounded N.W. by Richardson park; N.E. by Pond st.; S.E. by estate of M. A. Brewer; and S.W. by Cottage st.	144 00	72 00
129	7,200	Mary Ada Brewer	Bounded N.W. by estate of D. C. Brewer; N.E. by Pond st.; S.E. by estates of D. H. and D. C. Brewer; and S.W. by Cottage st.	144 00	72 00

Whereas, pursuant to a certain act of this Board, passed on April 29, 1892, a public park or parks was located and laid out in that part of the City of Boston called Dorchester, at an expense of one hundred and sixty-two thousand two hundred and fifty six $\frac{87}{100}$ dollars; and whereas, in the opinion of the Board, the estates named in the foregoing schedule have been benefited by the location or laying out of said park or parks, and due notice has been given of the intention of the Board to assess betterments thereon; it is therefore hereby

Voted, That the estates named in the schedule be, and they hereby are, respectively charged with the sums therein severally set against them; each sum so assessed not exceeding one-half the amount of the adjudged benefit to the estates by the said location and laying out.

Geo. F. Clarke.

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Boston, April 30, 1894.

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 1 P.M.

Present Messrs Kendricken, Walker and Sprague.

Also present His Honor the Mayor, City Solicitor Bailey and Messrs Jackson, Howe and F. L. & J. C. Olmsted.

A conference was held with the Mayor with reference to details of park construction, also with reference to Senator Kittredge's bill before the Legislature to authorize the city to borrow one million dollars for park construction.

The following bids for building a Refectory at Franklin Park were received, and taken under advisement:.

John J. Flynn,	Boston.	$ 77,330
Mack & Moore.	"	80,900
Henry H. Hunt,	West Newton.	83,988
Walter S. Sampson,	Boston.	84,549
Adelard Thaneuf.	"	86,987
Norcross Brothers,	"	87.549
Charles H. Dodge.	"	87.633
Johnson Brothers.	Brookline.	87.900
W. L. Clark & Co.	Boston.	87.915
George G. Baker.	"	88.927
D. J. Donovan's Sons.	"	89.284
Thomas J. Lyons.	"	92,626
Cutting, Bardwell & Co.	Worcester.	94,310
Mead, Mason & Co.	Boston.	94,435
W. H. Keyes & Co.	So. Boston.	98,993
Connery & Wentworth.	Boston.	99.500

The following bids for two hundred granite steps each 10'3" long were received;

Cape Ann Granite Co.	$ 2384.
Rockport Granite Co.	2550.
Granite Railway Co.	2600.
Quincy Red Granite Co.	2695.
James J. Vernon	3000.
Braintree Granite Co.	3526.

and it was
Voted, that the contract be awarded to the
Cape Ann Granite Co.

An order of the Common Council requesting a report as to the cause of delay in opening the Charlesbank Gymnasium was received and the Chairman was authorized to reply that the Board is unable to open the Charlesbank Gymnasium owing to lack of funds in consequence of the reduction of the appropriation asked for maintenance from $128.500 to $100,000, and unless further appropriation is made the Board will be obliged to keep it closed.

A request of W. H. Young for permission to place signs at Jamaica Park, calling attention to his Boat Service, was received and rejected.

Mr. Olmsted submitted a plan for grading the south side of the Morton street Entrance to the Arboretum, which was referred to the City Engineer for estimates of the cost of doing the work.

Mr. Olmsted reported upon a general boat service and submitted a proposition signed by H. V. Parelow and C. H. Barney, by which they agree to supply boats for all the parks with a total of

8 Electric Launches.	9 Sail Boats.
160 Whitehall Boats.	20 St. Lawrence Skiffs.
25 Canoes.	12 English Randans.
9 Lenox Boats.	5 Adirondack Boats.

and it was
Voted, that the proposition of H. V. Parelow and C. H. Barney of this date for furnishing a boat service for the public parks of Boston be accepted, subject to licenses for this year already granted, provided that the boats are furnished according to the schedule contained in said proposition and that a proper contract be drawn up and approved by the Corporation Counsel to extend for the period begin-

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ning with the season of 1894 and ending with the season of 1898, inclusive; half of the said boats to be furnished within thirty days from date.

The Secretary was thereupon, directed to notify Messrs William Young and Charles H. Nichols of said proposed contract, and to caution them against going to any expense towards equipping their present boat service with new boats or otherwise increasing their facilities for new service.

The Secretary was also directed to notify J. J. Quigley who had applied for a permit to run steamers between Castle Island and Marine Park, that the Board has arranged a boat service with other parties to include that for which he has applied.

Mr. Howe was directed to meet Mr. Partelow at Marine Park to arrange for the proposed boat service there.

Voted, that the Water Board be requested to lower the water pipe in Perkins street to the new grade required by the lowering of the street.

The Secretary was directed to notify Mrs. Theresa May, that the Board is now ready to fix the culvert upon her land according to the arrangement made with her by the Chairman upon her giving notice to the Board in writing and agreeing to allow the employees of the City to enter her land for the purpose of keeping the culvert clear and free from debris.

Mr. Cunniff came before the Board and stated that the Board of Police considers that the request of the Park Commissioners, that no licenses be granted in premises fronting upon or within one hundred feet of the public parks, included licenses to bottling establishments and breweries, which he thought the Park Commissioners did not intend to include, and at his suggestion it was,

Voted, that the vote of this Board of March 23. 1894,

shall not be considered to apply to bottling establishments and Breweries as such.

Mrs. Jane Maguire came before the Board with a recommendation from Charles E. Hapgood, addressed to Genl. Walker, for position as matron of the new waiting room at the Ellicott House, Franklin Park, and it was

Voted, that Mr. Maguire be appointed Matron either for the Ellicott House or some similar position when the building is ready.

Adjourned to May 7th.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Secy.

Boston, May 4, 1894.

A special meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 10 o'clk. A.M.

Present Messrs. Kendricken and Sprague.

Voted, that the following named parties be informed that the Board would award the sums severally set against their names for damages caused by the taking of land for the North End Park.

Christopher Leonard	750	
Willard Welch	2,250	
Mary Doherty, heirs or devisees,	3,150	
Antonio Barretta,	3,000	
Domenica & Maria T. Agripino	3,000	
Abby A. Barry,	7,250	
William Dorey Heirs,	5,950	
Peter Sheran Heirs,	3,950	
John B. Johnson,	5,400	
Agnes L. Mary A & Peter H. Lobroich.	6,600	
Margaret A. O'Donnell.	6,300	
Vincenzo & Anna Maria De. Girolamo,	3,100	50,700

Geo. F. Clarke.
Sec'y.

Boston, May 7, 1894.

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2. P.M.

Present mess^rs Kendrick, Walker and Sprague. Also present Messrs Jackson, Howe and J. C. Olmsted.

The Board re-organized by the choice of Paul H. Kendrick as Chairman, Charles F. Sprague Chairman pro. tem, and George F. Clarke, Secretary for the ensuing year.

Voted, that the Chairman be authorized to approve drafts & bills.

Voted, that the Chairman pro. tem. be authorized to approve drafts and bills in the absence of the Chairman.

Voted, that in the absence of the Chairman and Chairman pro. tem. Mr. Walker be Chairman pro. tem, and be authorized to approve drafts and bills.

A conference was held with the Mayor regarding several matters of Park Construction

City Architect Wheelwright and Mr. Hartwell were present with reference to the proposals for building the Head House at Marine Park, and the Refectory at Franklin Park.

Mr. Wheelwright stated with reference to the contract for the Franklin Park Refectory that the lowest bidder J. J. Flynn is a carpenter who is erecting a large building for the City at Long Island, and that with proper supervision he is competent to give good service. He would not hesitate to give the work to Mr. Flynn provided his subcontractors were satisfactory and provided he would agree to put a competent foreman in charge of the work. Mr. Hartwell stated that the sub contractors for Terra Cotta offered by Mr. Flynn were the new Brittain Terra Cotta and Brick Companies whose facilities for doing the work were not satisfactory. It was thereupon

Voted, that the Architects inform Mr. Flynn that

the Board cannot accept the sub-contractors for terra cotta, and that he must make arrangements with some other company acceptable to the Board to supply the terra cotta, and engage a foreman who will be satisfactory to the architects of the building.

The following bids for erecting the proposed Head House at Marine Park were received together with a letter from the City Architect objecting to the contract being awarded to Wm. A. Keyes & Co. the lowest bidders on the ground that Mr. Keyes is not a contractor.

W. J. Keyes & Co.	$ 80.792.00
Gerry & Northup.	84.885.00
R. B. Plummer Jr.	85.000.00
Charles H. Dodge.	89.121.00
John J. Flynn.	89.494.00
S. H. Bogart.	90.286.00
Mead, Mason & Co.	94.500.00
John Mc. Namara.	96.300.00

A hearing was given to Mr. Keyes who was also represented by his Counsel Messrs B. L. M. Tower and Thomas J. Gargan. Mr. Tower stated that although Mr. Keyes had temporarily given up his business as a contractor he intended to resume it again. He presented a letter from the Mechanics Exchange refering to Mr. Keyes membership up to March 1892. and stating that his application for readmittance is now pending which would no doubt be granted - also a letter from ex. Mayor Hart with reference to Mr. Keyes having had the contract for building the wooden floor of Harvard Bridge. He also presented a letter from Morton D. Safford, architect for the Boston Wharf Company testifying to Mr. Keyes ability as a mechanic.

Mr. Keyes stated that in addition to the Harvard Bridge contract he had built the grand stand

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on the Congress street ball grounds and a building on A street for the Boston Wharf Company, also the Men's Lodge at the Charlesbank Gymnasium. He said that he had worked on other buildings while Mr. Bateman and Mr. Atwood were city Architects and had built a house for Hartwell and Richardson at Eggleston square. Subsequent to the hearing Mr. Wheelwright stated that the sub-contractors submitted by Mr. Keyes were unsatisfactory.

Messrs L. M. Ham & Co. contractors for iron work and Pierce & Cox for plumbing had notified the bidders that they withdrew their bids, the first over one thousand dollars and the second three thousand dollars below what they were willing to do the work for. This would bring Mr. Keyes bid to the same figure as the next bidder. He also objected to Lynch the mason and Davis the plasterer.

As to the next bidders Messrs. Geary and Northup, Mr. Wheelwright said that they were capable contractors of good standing and were the sub-contractors for Carpenter work on the City Hospital buildings. The sub-contractors offered by them were satisfactory. It was thereupon

Voted, that the bid of Wm. H. Keyes and Company for erecting the Head House at Marine Park be rejected and that the Chairman and the City Architect confer with the Mayor in regard to having provisions inserted in the contract for completing the bath houses after the filling of the site, the building not to be accepted before May 1st 1895, and payments not to exceed fifty thousand dollars before January 1. 1895, also to request the Mayor's approval of the expenditure of twenty five thousand dollars this year for the filling of the site of the building.

Voted, that with the foregoing stipulations as to payments and time of completion the contract be awarded to Geary and Northup.

Mr. S. K. Brown came before the Board and stated

that the restrictions asked by the Board as to the value of buildings to be allowed on the frontage opposite the Arboretum were burdensome. The owners of the land he represented were prepared to restrict the front lots to houses costing thirty-five hundred dollars and the rear lots to houses costing twenty-five hundred dollars. They offered to allow the City to take surplus material from the proposed extension of Johnson Street if the Commissioners would allow the street to enter the Parkway, and in the matter of sloping the bank adjoining the Arboreway they would do whatever would be done in the Bradstreet case.

The Secretary stated that Mr. Dawson recommended a settlement of the case of Jacob Edwards for damages for the taking of lands for the Riverway, for twenty-seven thousand five hundred dollars with interest, the City to assume betterments, and it was

Voted, that the Corporation Counsel be authorized to settle the case of Jacob Edwards for twenty-seven thousand five hundred dollars without interest and costs, provided he gives the usual public Park Deed for the Parkway, Muddy River.

John O' Donnell, Eben Murray, M. E. Downey, Edward Bates and William Ring came before the Board to protest against the manner of laying out the Arboreway adjoining Weld Park. Mr. Downey stated that the plan of filling in the triangle on Centre street was a detriment to their property and he objected as it interfered with their right of way to Centre street.

Mr. Charles F. Curtis came before the Board with reference to a settlement of damages for the land taken from Joseph H. Curtis heirs. Mr. Curtis said that what would satisfy him would be fifty cents per foot. The Commissioners suggested that he submit a definite offer for their consideration.

Alderman Lee and Parry came before the Board

May 7. 1894. in regard to the location of the proposed playground at North Brighton. Alderman Lee stated that he thought the lands of A. B. Goodenough and others could be purchased at a reasonable price and suggested that the Board confer with Mr. Goodenough. The Secretary was directed to invite Mr. Goodenough to come before the Board.

Councilman Cochran and others came before the Board with reference to the use of grounds at Wood Island Park for cricket.

Hon. E. J. Flynn came before the Board and offered to settle the cases of the Doherty heirs, Lobroich and Tauber for the amounts offered by the Board, namely, $3,150; $6,600, and $5,400 respectively.

Mr. Flynn further stated in the cases of Bergman and Aggripino that the sums that the Commissioners propose to award were insufficient being less than what they had recently paid for the property. The Commissioners offered to give him a hearing later in these cases. It was thereupon

Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board passed December 7, 1893 a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land on or near Commercial street in ward six of said Boston belonging to several persons or parties whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to Mary Doherty heirs or devisees, as appears by said act there be awarded and paid to Mary A. Doherty the sum of thirty one hundred and fifty dollars upon her proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Park Wards six and seven

Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board passed December 7. 1893 a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston, by taking in fee certain parcels of land on or near Commercial street in ward six of said Boston belonging to several persons or parties whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to Agnes L. Mary A. and Peter H. Lobrovich as appears by said act there be awarded and paid to the said Agnes L. Mary A. and Peter H. Lobrovich the sum of sixty six hundred dollars upon their proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking satisfactory to the City Solicitor, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment, said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Park, Wards six & seven.

Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board passed December 7. 1893. a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land on or near Commercial street in ward six of said Boston belonging to several persons or parties whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to John B. Johnson, as appears by said act there be awarded and paid to the said John B. Johnson the sum of fifty four hundred dollars upon his proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Park, Wards six and seven.

May 7. 1894. Mrs. Baretta came before the Board to say that she was not satisfied with the offer of three thousand dollars for her property and that she ought to get thirty two hundred dollars a load. Subsequently Mr. Mc. Cullough conferred with the Board in regard to her case, and said that if the Board would add fifty dollars to its offer he would advise her to settle. The Board thereupon Voted, to make its offer three thousand and fifty dollars.

Mr. Sprague stated that Mr. Morse came to see the Board in regard to settling several Jamaica Pond cases and suggested a settlement in the Pond street cases at the rate of one dollar per foot and fair value for the wall, all betterments to be assumed by the city, and restrictions to be given by them. In his case and that of Smith, one-half the cost of the wall to be borne by the city, and in the Bigelow case, he said the city ought to pay more than one dollar per foot for the land.

Mr. Morse said in regard to his own estate, that his father paid fourteen thousand dollars for the house about twelve years ago, and that he paid eight thousand dollars for improvements, making twenty two thousand dollars as the cost of the house. The stable was built originally at a cost of five thousand dollars and he improved it at a cost of twenty five hundred dollars. The lot affords sites for two desirable residences besides his own. The trees and shrubbery add very much to its value for such purposes. He said he ought to get enough to compensate him for the cost of building elsewhere less the increased value of the new buildings, and that he would settle for sixty cents per foot for the upland and the cost of the buildings.

Mr. Morse also stated that in the Spaulding case he asked that the court rule that the jury add the cost of a wall and that Mr. Wood of Garbet & Wood

had testified that the grading would require a wall. As the jury added nothing for a wall he asked that the Park Commissioners assume the expense of a wall on the estates of Spaulding and Hall.

The proposition of Joseph L. Bergman to accept three thousand dollars for land taken at the North End was received and laid on the table.

Mr. Reynolds came before the Board and asked that the Board fix a time, in connection with his settlement for damages, during which he can occupy the store on his premises for business purposes. Subsequently the Board

Voted, to allow two years for such occupancy.

The request of Sullivan Brothers that a larger commission than 5 p.c. be allowed for the sale of old buildings and wharf property at the North End, was received and the Secretary was directed to accept the account sales at ten per cent.

Communications from C. S. Sargent regarding compensation for loam taken from the Arborway, also regarding the erection of temporary posts for lighting the easterly drive through the Arboretum, and the care and maintenance of the plantations on Bussey Hill, were received and it was

Voted, to recede from the request to erect temporary posts for lighting the easterly drive through the Arboretum.

The Secretary was also directed to request authority to grade the north end of the Bussey Institution grounds according to Messrs Olmsted's plan presented at the last meeting and to say, that the Board will consider the surplus material afforded by this plan, an offset for the loam taken from the Arborway.

A communication from Leonard W. Ross, offering to sell twenty thousand cubic yards of red gravel, was received and referred to the Superintendent of Commons and Squares.

The request of D. W. Waldron for permit to hold a series of picnics at Franklin Park, was received and it was

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Voted, that D. W. Waldron be permitted to hold a series of picnics at Franklin Park in connection with the work of the Fresh Air Fund, during two weeks beginning July 16, and under the direction of the Sergeant of Police.

The request of Sophia Seavens for permission to retain the fence in front of the house on Centre street, was received and it was

Voted, that the request be granted.

Voted, that the Superintendent of Streets be requested to close Pond street between Eliot street and the bend of the street near the pond while the construction of the parkway is in progress.

Voted, that the Water Board be requested to continue the water pipes for Jamaica Pond water, through Pond street to connect the sections already laid.

Voted that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to continue Charles J. Foster on the pay roll for half time for injuries.

Voted, that William Fischer be allowed one and one-half hours per day overtime for the care of the pigeons.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to continue Bernard Mc. Gee on the pay roll for half time for injuries.

Adjourned to Tuesday May 8 at 2. P. M.

Geo. F. Clarke.
Sec'y.

Boston, May 8. 1894.

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2. P. M. Present Messrs Kendricken and Sprague.

A hearing was given in accordance with the notice of April 23. 1894, of the intention of the Board to assess betterments upon estates benefited

by the location and laying out of Franklin Field.

Horace P. Allen, representing several property owners, James M. Thompson and others, stated that his clients had already paid their part of the betterment for the laying out of Franklin Park, and they should not now be asked to pay a betterment for Franklin Field, which although a necessity to the public in general, is not of special advantage to the abuttors, but rather a detriment, owing to the purposes to which the field is to be devoted. The effect of the laying out of Franklin Field is not similar to that of a park, but rather that of an open space. Mr. Mc. Kenney's lot is already situated on an open square, is near Franklin Park, and therefore will not be at all benefited by additional open space.

Mr. William P. Fowler, owner of a house on Laurial avenue, presented a petition signed by eighty-three land owners remonstrating against a betterment assessment for the following reasons:

The abuttors do not need or desire a park and have not asked for it. The land is taxed equally with other sections of the city, and yet there are no sewers or streets and the only access to the houses is over a dangerous grade crossing. To make a few citizens - and those the least benefited - pay for the expense of a park which is for the common benefit of all, is unfair, unjust and unconstitutional.

Mr. Fowler stated that this park is to be used as a dumping ground for the refuse and offscouring of the people, as the rough games and military manoeuvres will draw the most undesirable elements. (The Chairman here objected to the language of the speaker.) He further said that the fact remains that the park is for the greater number of the people and not for the few who live near it.

Mr. Berry, a member of the Harvard Improvement Association, requested in behalf of Charles H. Greenwood,

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that the Board define the limits and amount of the proposed assessment. He said that the price of land and rental values of property had not risen in that locality on account of the laying out of a park, but that the increased value was due to the suburban service of the N. Y. & N. E. R. R. and the West End Electric Railway Company. In reply to a question from the Chairman, Mr. Perry said that he could not say what the opinion of the Harvard Improvement Association was, although he could speak for individual members. As to the benefit caused by the improved drainage, he remarked that the low land immediately adjoining the drained portion would offset any advantages thus obtained.

Mr. Thomas W. Bicknell said that he believes the taking of Franklin Field to be an improvement of a public nature and therefore he objects to a local or special assessment, as it is unjust to make one hundred people pay for what a hundred thousand people are to enjoy and receive a benefit from. He thought the increase of assessed values not due to the laying out of Franklin Field, but to a general raise of assessed values throughout Dorchester. The burden of taxation in Dorchester is heavy and they suffer from it. The Franklin Park betterments were abated ninety per cent on the ground that the laying out of the park was entirely for the general benefit. Franklin Field will not add one cent to the value of the adjoining property.

The cheap fares on the N. Y. & N. E. R. R. have increased the land value from fifteen cents to thirty cents per foot. As to the locality being formerly unhealthy, he stated that this was not the case as the land was covered most of the time with water which was a preventive of malaria.

Mr. Tufts, representing Asa A. Westcott, asked how the matter of a special benefit was to be determined. The opinion of the remonstrants and property owners should be taken into account in determining whether

any special abuttor received a benefit over and above the general benefit. Also a jury man after going over the entire ground Mr. Tufts concluded that the immediate property has not received a mill of benefit but has been injured by the laying out of Franklin Field. He further stated that the property owners in that neighborhood were not enriched one penny but were poorer by the increased taxes levied on account of the supposed benefit derived by the laying out of the parks. The taxes have been raised one hundred and twenty five per cent throughout that section in the last few years, and yet the land will not sell for one dollar more to day than it would five years ago. If the field is used as a training ground similar to that at Framingham it will be of detriment to the neighborhood. The Chairman stated that this is not the intention of the Board in laying out the Field.

Mr. Gaston representing the estates of Lloyd, Spillane & Calder objected to the assessment of betterments. Also for the Roman Catholic Cemetery Association, he objected on account of the purposes for which the land is held, and claimed that the City ought not to assess a betterment on land occupied for Cemetery purposes. He said that the lots are substantially all sold and therefore, the property cannot be improved from a commercial point of view.

Mr. Edward Gallagher made a complaint of the way in which the drainage was made as it had caused damage to their lands. The taking of the Field also damaged them as it interfered with the extension of Lyons street through to Talbot and Blue Hill avenues.

Mr. E. J. Sullivan of Chapman avenue, claimed that the Field was a positive detriment to the neighborhood. It did not benefit them by affording park privileges

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to the residents, while the mire especially when the field is flooded for skating purposes, will tend to make it an undesirable locality.

Mr. Batchelder, representing Eugene F. Blossom requested that the assessment be made as small as possible as any assessment will fall heavily on the community, as the people are not rich and cannot afford an excessive taxation. The property owners are willing to pay their just dues but that they do not consider that the benefit derived will be an equivalent for an assessment.

Mr. Pinkham, of Harmer Avenue, claimed that the laying out of a playground of the nature of Franklin Field, was not a benefit to the near abuttors and therefore, they should not be taxed any more than the rest of the City. He said in regard to the drainage that physicians consider the neighborhood unhealthy on account of the exhalations from the ground, and have ordered the windows of the houses closed during the summer. Mr. Pinkham admitted a certain benefit in the laying out of the park, as it prevented the possibility of the neighborhood becoming disreputable.

Mr. Newhall did not think that a betterment should be assessed on account of the drainage of the ground as the City would have provided drainage in the laying out of streets through that territory. He also stated that he had sold land since and before the taking of the land for park purposes, and that there was no great difference in the price of land on account of the laying out of the Field.

Mr. Crotty made the statement that he bought property in that section sixty years ago and to day could sell it for the same price.

Mr. Ethier representing the estates of Mrs. E. D. Richardson and Mrs. M. B. Hatch earnestly remonstrated against an assessment for betterment. Their land would be damaged by its being trespassed upon as it would afford a short cut to the Field.

Mrs. John Whitney of Wales street, stated that the drainage of the meadow had rendered the locality unhealthy. As it was formerly a peat meadow, it was healthy. Her physician had ordered the windows closed on the south side of her house.

There being no more remonstrants who desired to testify, the hearing was declared ended.

Adjourned to May 10 at 2 P.M.

Geo. F. Clarke.
Sec'y.

Boston, May 10, 1894.

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P.M. Present Messrs Kendricken, Walker and Sprague.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

A communication was received from Hartwell & Richardson stating that John J. McGlynn says that if obliged to use either one of the larger terra cotta concerns on the refectory building he will have to add thirty three hundred dollars to the amount of his original proposal. The communication was laid on the table to be considered when the contract is awarded.

The Secretary stated that Sergeant Murphy's request to attend certain lectures at the Arboretum had been amended to apply only to the few lectures on the Conifers, and as amended it was

Voted, that the request of Sergeant Murphy to attend the particular lectures referred to be granted.

Gen'l. Walker stated that he understood that a bronze fountain by Miss Anne Whitney was to be presented to the City and that the Art Commissioners would approve it for a certain site.

Voted, that the Secretary notify Frank E. Hannon

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to discontinue the work of filling on the Strandway a week from Saturday May 12th.

A communication was received from Mrs. J. L. Wesson in regard to the case of James Noonan, injured in the park work, and was referred to the Engineer in Charge to investigate the matter and report on Monday next.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge report an estimate of the cost of putting a ground in condition for cricket at Wood Island Park.

Voted, that the City Architect be requested to prepare plans to make the building at Pine Bank suitable for a refectory.

The Secretary was directed to write Hendrie Brothers that the Pine Bank building has been examined and is reported to be in thoroughly indecent condition, and that they must see that it is immediately put into good order.

A communication was received from the Farragut Naval Veteran Association requesting the Board to erect a flagstaff at Marine Park near the Farragut statue, and to furnish a thirty foot ensign and American Jack in order that the Association may pay proper tribute to Farragut's memory on Decoration Day; and the request was referred to the Landscape Architects for examination and report.

The Secretary stated that Mrs. Barretta had accepted the offer of three thousand and fifty dollars for her estate, and it was

Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board passed December 7, 1893, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land on or near Commercial Street in ward six of said Boston belonging to several persons or parties whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to Assunta Barretta as appears by said act there be awarded and

paid to the said Assunta Barrella the sum of three thousand and fifty dollars upon her proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking satisfactory to the City Solicitor, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Park Wards six & seven.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston, May 14. 1894.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P. M.

Present Messrs Kendrickon, Walker and Sprague.

Also present His Honor the Mayor and Messrs Jackson, Howe and F. L. & J. C. Olmsted.

The Mayor conferred with the Board with reference to sundry matters of park construction.

A communication from the Mayor of New Bedford requesting information regarding public parks, also that his Board of Park Commissioners be furnished a guide to visit the park system, was received and at the suggestion of the Mayor the Secretary was directed to extend an invitation to him to visit the public parks.

A communication from the superintendent of the Paving Division requesting information as to what part of Perkins Road has been taken for park purposes, was received and referred to the Engineer in Charge to answer.

Bills for sewer assessments on Pond Street were received and placed on file, the Mayor stating that the money for the bills would be supplied at the end of the year as formerly.

May 14. 1894. A communication from Sturgis & Babot, regarding the heating of the Field House at Wood Island Park, was received and refered to the Chairman.

Requests of the Dorton Cricket Club for a water supply at Franklin Field, also that they be permitted to affix the name of the club on the rear of the club house, were received and the first matter was refered to the Engineer in Charge.

Voted, that the Dorton Cricket Club be allowed to affix the Club's name to the club house.

The request of the Kearsarge Association of Naval Veterans for permission to decorate the statue of Admiral Farragut on Memorial Day, was received and it was,

Voted, that the Kearsarge Association of Naval Veterans have permission to enter Marine Park for the purpose of decorating the Farragut statue on Memorial Day May 30th.

A request of Edward D. Rice, that the Arboretum be kept open after sunset was received and laid on the table.

A communication from W. Prentiss Parker complaining of the non enforcement of the ordinance requiring bicycles to carry lanterns at night in Franklin Park, was received and refered to the Sergeant of Police at Franklin Park.

A petition recommending John M. Cunningham for position as superintendent of the gymnasium at Wood Island Park was received and placed on file.

The application of Philip Ronca for reduction of rent for the refectory at Marine Park was taken up & it was

Voted, that Philip Ronca be permitted to occupy the refectory at Marine Park for the season of 1894, provided he pay bills to the amount of eight hundred dollars by way of rent.

A proposition of A. H. Doxie, regarding the establishment of a Zoological Garden at Franklin Park, referred by the Mayor to the Board, was received and refered to the Landscape Architects.

The application of James H. Dillivor for refreshment

privileges at Jamaica and other parks was received and placed on file.

An inquiry of Henry J. Bowen as to whether the department desires to purchase gravel for Marine Park, was received and the secretary was directed to reply that the department has no use for such material at present.

A communication from D. H. Fiske regarding assessment of betterments at Franklin Field was received and placed on file.

A request from D. M. Morse that Mrs. Pigelow be allowed to retain the iron fence in front of her estate was received and it was

Voted, that the request be granted.

A communication from the Corporation Counsel regarding the Edward's case, Mr. Morse's offer of settlement, and that the City settle the betterments on land of Lyman J. Clark on the Riverway, was received and laid on the table.

The request of the Murdock Pratt Co. for the payment of a bill for the removal of merchandise from Gray's wharf, with Mr. Babson's opinion regarding the City's liability was received and the secretary was directed to notify the company accordingly.

The request of the Mass. Div. L. A. W. to pass through the Fens on their Memorial Day parade. Also request of Mass. Bicycle Co. for leave to pass through the park system, Monday 21st, without the need of all carrying lights, were received. The latter request was rejected and it was

Voted, that the Mass. Division L. A. W. be permitted to pass through the Fens on the occasion of its Memorial Day parade.

Mr. Olmsted submitted a report and plan for the location of a flagstaff near the Farragut Statue at Marine Park, and it was

Voted, that the Purchasing Agent procure and set up a flag staff at Marine Park in accor-

May 14. 1894. dance with the report of the Landscape Architects, presented this day, and procure an ensign and jack to be displayed on Decoration Day as requested by the Farragut Naval Veteran Association.

Voted, that the Farragut Naval Veteran Association have permission to hold memorial services at Marine Park on May 30th., as a tribute to the memory of Admiral Farragut.

Mr. Howe reported on the cost of preparing a ground for cricket at Wood Island Park, also on Mr. Seaver's claim that his house had been injured by blasting on the Arboretum, and on the case of James Noonan, injured on the park work, and Mr. Howe was requested to submit reports on the several matters in writing.

Voted, that there be posted in the parks and parkways a notice to cyclists in the following form:

Notice.

Keep to the right of the road except when passing horses, carriages and bicycles going the same way, in which case keep to the left.

Mr. Olmsted submitted specifications for the stock, equipment and management of the boating service, also a form of contract prepared by the Law Department in consultation with Mr. C. H. Parney.

The specifications and form of contract were approved and it was

Voted, that when the form of contract this day submitted by the Landscape Architects between this Commission and H. V. Partelow and C. Henry Parney, shall have been approved by the Corporation Counsel, the Chairman is hereby authorized to sign the same.

The communication of Charles S. Penhallow and petitions remonstrating against the erection of bath houses at Jamaica Pond were taken from the table, and after discussion were placed on file.

Voted, that the plan for bath houses on Jamaica Pond, submitted by the Landscape Architects, dated September 20, 1893, be not approved, and that they be requested to submit a new plan for laying out the grounds.

The following was received:

"Boston, May 14, 1894.

"To the Park Commissioners of the City of Boston.

"Dear Sirs: The undersigned, executors of the "will of J. A. Curtis make the following proposi- "tion for the settlement of damages for land taken "from us by you for purposes of park at Jamaica "Plain, we will accept for the land taken the sum "of fifteen thousand dollars ($15000) with interest "from date of taking until paid, less one half of the "amount of betterment now assessed on said estate. "The balance of said betterment & any other betterments "assessed on said estate shall be assumed by the City "of Boston.

"That we for ourselves and anybody claiming "under us shall have free access to the park with the "right to use the parkway.

"The above is respectfully submitted upon the express "condition that in case we do not agree upon a "settlement nothing herein contained shall in any way "effect our claim for damages against the City.

"Yours truly, Charles F. Curtis, George H. Bradbury
Edward H. Williams, Executors. J. A. Curtis.

and it was

Voted, that the offer be accepted.

Mr. Goodnough came before the Board with reference to selling land for the proposed playground at North Brighton. He stated that he would sell either or both lots controlled by him for three and one half cents per foot. After discussion he reduced the price to fourteen thousand dollars for one lot and seven thousand dollars for the other, and at the request of the Board he put his offer in writing.

May 14. 1894. The question of granting a location for a merry-go-round on Franklin Park was referred to the Landscape Architects for report.

Voted, that William H. Doyle be granted the privilege of operating a carousal or merry-go-round at Castle Island during the season of 1894, the site to be designated by the Engineer in Charge.

Mr. T. J. Emery representing Mrs. Prendergast came before the Board and said that there was a clause in her deed to the City under which she expected to carry on the liquor business, but as that claim is denied he asked if the Board would allow her to receive her license and carry on business for two or three months in which to obtain another location. He said that this might be done on the ground of the driveway not yet being finished and there being some misunderstanding in regard to the terms of settlement made with her. The matter was referred to Mr. Sprague to confer with the police Commissioners.

City Architect Wheelwright, and Mr. Harlow ll came before the Board in reference to the proposals for building the refectory at Franklin Park.

Mr. Harlow ll stated that J. J. Flynn if obliged to use either one of the larger terra cotta concerns asked thirty three hundred dollars more than his original bid, which brought his bid within three hundred dollars of the next bid. Burnham and Davis, his masons, were difficult men to get at having their office in Newton. Mack and Moore are masons and he preferred them to Burnham and Davis for the reason that their headquarters were in Boston. Mr. Wheelwright said that he would not allow Flynn to add anything to his bid unless the architects accepted the sub-contractor for terra cotta offered by him. The secretary was directed to write to the four lowest bidders asking what make of terra cotta they proposed to furnish.

Mr. James Stevenson came before the Board with

reference to a settlement of damages for the taking of his estate near Longwood avenue, Mr. Sterenson asked two dollars per foot for the land taken and offered to settle for one dollar and seventy five cents per foot if the Board would assume the betterment upon his estate on Bellevue street.

Mr. W. A. Low came before the Board in reference to the betterments assessed upon his estate for the laying out of the Riverway. Mr. Low claimed that the construction of the parkway had been a damage to his estate rather than a benefit. It had been a cause of sickness in his family and in the neighborhood and he had been unable to sell or let his house. Mr. Low having brought a suit against the city to contest the betterment the Commissioners referred him to the Corporation Counsel.

Mr. Vincenzo De Girolamo came before the Board in reference to his claim for damages for the taking of his estate for the North End Park. He finally agreed to take thirty four hundred dollars and it was

Voted, That whereas by an act of this Board passed December 7, 1893 a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land on or near Commercial street in ward six of said Boston belonging to several persons or parties whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to Vicenzo and Anna Maria De Girolamo, as appears by said act there be awarded and paid to the said Vicenzo and Anna Maria De Girolamo, the sum of thirty four hundred dollars upon their proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking satisfactory to the City Solicitor, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment: said amount to be charged to the appropriation

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Mr. George S. Curtis came before the Board and offered to take thirty five cents per foot with interest, for his land taken for Jamaica Park, and give the usual deed providing for restrictions and release of betterments on his remaining land. He also wanted pay for apple trees destroyed and asked that work mables be planted instead of plants and shrubs.

Adjourned to May 17, at 2 P.M.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Secy.

Boston, May 17. 1894.

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2. P.M. Present Messrs Kendrickin, Walker and Sprague.

The matter of assessing betterments for the location and laying out of Franklin Field was considered, and it was determined, in view of the existing conditions and the purposes for which the field was laid out, that the Board would not be justified in assessing a betterment.

Mr. Sprague submitted an offer from Mrs. Frances H. Downes to settle her claim for damages for seventy five cents per foot or six hundred and seventy two $\frac{38}{100}$ dollars, and give the usual deed including restrictions and release of betterments upon her remaining land, substituting twenty foot set back for twenty five feet, and providing that the City build a retaining wall or properly grade the land adjacent to the Parkway, and it was

Voted, that the offer of Mrs. Downes be accepted provided she consent to a set back of twenty five feet, and to the sloping of her remaining land to the grade of the Parkway.

Mr. Sprague reported that he had conferred with Captain Clark of the Police Commission in reference to

Mr. Emery's request that this Board consent to Mrs. Prendergast being given a licence for her premises adjoining Leverett Park, limited to two or three months, and that Mr. Clark had said that the Police Board would not grant a licence for that length of time the term of all licenses being one year. It was thereupon Voted; that the secretary notify Mr. Emery that

> after careful consideration the Board finds that the granting of such consent is entirely inconsistent with the preceding action in regard to this case, and therefore the Commissioners do not see how the Board can favorably act upon his request.

Communications were received from the Superintendent of Streets stating that the property of his Department was endangered by fires set by boys on the park property at the North End, and suggesting that measures should be taken to prevent their recurrence; also that the sidewalks are left in a dangerous condition by the removal of buildings and asking if the Board will construct the necessary fences to protect the travelling public, and the secretary was directed to reply to the first matter that the Board is informed that the police Commission has detailed special officers for that service, and as to the second matter that the Board thinks that the erection of fences on the public streets is the duty of the Street Department. The secretary was also directed to reply to a communication of the Fire Commissioners in reference to the same matter.

The following was received:

" City Hall, May 17th 1894.

" Board of Park Commissioners.

" Mr. Paul H. Kendricken, Chairman.

" Dear Sir; The amounts due on work done

" by this Department for you are as follows:

" Head-House, City Point 1 3/4 % on $84,885 $1485.49

May 17. 1894. "Scarboro Pond Building 1¾ p.c. on $15.000 estimated cost 262.50
"Charlesbank Gymnasium 1¾ p.c. on $10.208, 178.64
" Total. 1926.63

"It is my intention to charge my weekly pay-rolls "to you up to this amount.

" Yours very truly, Edmund M. Wheelwright
" City Architect."

and it was

Voted, that the Chairman approve the payrolls submitted by the City Architect to the amount due his department for work done on account of this Department.

The secretary was directed to write to the Water Board in regard to the lowering of the water pipe in Perkins street and to say that the work of this Department must be suspended until the pipe is lowered and that the Mayor is very desirous that the work shall be done without delay.

A communication was received from Theresa May accepting the proposition of the Board with reference to the walling in of the brook channel upon her land which was read and placed on file.

The following was received read & placed on file.

" At a meeting of the President and Fellows
" of Harvard College in Boston May 10th 1894.
" Voted that the President be authorized to assent
" upon such conditions as he sees fit to the grading
" of the grounds of the Bussey Institution bordering
" the Arborway in accordance with the plan 418
" prepared for the City of Boston Park Commission
" by Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot.

" A true copy of Record
" Attest: Arthur G. Davis,
" Keeper of Corporation Records.
" Secretary of the Park Commission."

A complaint was read from the President of the Boston Revere Beach and Lynn R.R. that the filling being done under contract at Wood Island

is rolling down upon its land used for a passenger station, and the Secretary was directed to notify O'Connor and White to take precautions to avoid a continuance of the trouble.

Adjourned to May 21 at 2 P.M.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston, May 21, 1894.

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P.M. Present Messrs Kendrichen, Walker and Sprague. Also present His Honor the Mayor, Corporation Counsel Babson, City Architect Wheelwright and Messrs Jackson, Howe and F.L. Olmsted.

The question of the taking of Commonwealth avenue under Chapter 300 of the acts of 1893 was considered, and, after discussion, the Corporation Counsel was requested to prepare a form of taking conformable to the provisions of the statute.

Mr. Babson stated that counsel in the Edward's case had agreed to figure the interest on the proposed settlement at five per cent which was the best terms he could get them to make. The Commissioners took the offer under advisement.

Mr. Babson stated that in the Beaver Street matter he had expected that the owners of the lands affected would give releases without compensation in view of the benefits received, but that Mr. Parker wants the Board to pay Mr. Russell's bill of three hundred dollars. He said that Mr. Parker is willing to waive any question of land damages but thinks the City should assume the expense which he has been put to in the matter. The Commissioners declined to pay any thing.

Mr. Babson also recommended that increased offers be made to Mr. Morse in the Jamaica Pond

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Voted, that the following offers be made:

Edward M. Smith 85 cents per foot
Charles F. Farrington 1.00 per foot and value of wall
Abraham O. Digelow heirs. 1.20 " "
also to Charles B. Amory 1.00 " " " " " " "

the city to assume betterments in each case provided the owners give the usual deed including restrictions.

The secretary stated that the chairman of the Water Board telephoned that he had visited Perkins street with the City Engineer and has arranged to have seventy-five men at work to morrow to put in a temporary water pipe, which will enable the park work to proceed more rabidly than if the present pipes were lowered, also that the vote requesting that the work be done had been sent to the Water Board before May 3rd., and it was

Voted, that the secretary follow up the votes of the Board requesting other departments to perform services for this department, to see that no unnecessary delay occurs.

The Mayor reported that the Metropolitan Park Commissioners have taken three hundred and ninety nine acres at Muddy Pond and Bellevue Hill at an estimated cost of ninety three thousand two hundred dollars leaving fifty-six thousand eight hundred dollars for parkway lands which they estimate will take to about Weld street. He said that there might be something left in which case he recommended that it be applied to securing Grew's woods. The assessed value of the rest of the parkway lands was twenty-three thousand seven hundred and sixty four dollars and he recommended that arrangements be made to take these lands at an early day. It was thereupon

Voted, that the City Engineer prepare plans for taking the lands for the proposed West Roxbury parkway between Arnold Arboretum and Weld street

The City Engineer was directed to have the proposed line staked out on the ground at once.

Mr. Howe submitted a bid from A. A. Libby & Co. for laying several short lengths of curb on the parkway and repairing the gutters for one dollar and fifteen cents per linear foot of curb and it was

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to have the work done by A. A. Libby & Co. at their offer.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge notify the Superintendent of Lamps to have the electric lights turned on at Marine Park and on the bridge to Castle Island.

Voted, that the Landscape Architects be requested to report a plan as soon as possible for laying out Castle Island.

Mr. Hartwell came before the Board and submitted a proposition from Mr. Flynn to deduct the amount of the bid for terra cotta or fifty-eight hundred dollars from his bid and contract for the rest of the work for seventy-one thousand five hundred and thirty dollars, leaving the question of the terra cotta to be determined later.

Mr. Wheelwright said that he favored this plan and suggested that he be authorized to look up the standing of the New Jersey Terra Cotta Company, as to whether they have the facilities for doing satisfactory work.

Voted, that the Architects prepare a contract with J. J. Flynn for erecting the refectory building at Franklin Park without the terra cotta for seventy-one thousand five hundred and thirty dollars, and that the amount of bonds required be fixed at twenty-five thousand dollars.

Voted, that the City Architect be requested to go to New York to look up the question of terra cotta with particular reference to the bid of the New Jersey Terra Cotta Company of Perth Amboy.

May 21. 1894. In reference to the proposition to locate a merry-go-round on Franklin Park upon which the Landscape Architects were asked to report, Mr. Olmsted stated that the policy which they would recommend would be to defer the matter until the Children's playground is completed. After discussion in which Mr. Cook, who was present, took part it was

Voted, that a permit be granted to Frederick P. Cook to operate a merry-go-round by electric power, at a location in Franklin Park to be selected by the Landscape Architects, to run not later than 9.30 P.M. with music, if no objection is made; to be limited to children and their attendants, and otherwise to be under the supervision of the Sergeant of Police.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to erect by contract two sanitary buildings at Franklin Park near where the merry-go-round is to be located.

Voted, that a permit be granted to R. R. Goff to operate a merry-go-round on Charlestown Playground until June 19, under the supervision of the Sergeant of Police.

The petition of Thomas H. Barnes and 370 others, remonstrating against Sunday traffic on Castle Island was received and it was

Voted, that the business of conducting merry-go-rounds and similar attractions for pay on the public parks be prohibited on Sundays.

On the latter vote Mr. Kendricken stated that he desired to be recorded as voting in the negative.

Voted, that the secretary notify those granted permits to operate merry-go-rounds, of the above regulation.

Mr. R. H. Derrah, president & clerk of the West End Railway Co. came before the Board and stated that Brookline had granted the location for electric cars through Washington street and the company renews its former request for permission to erect poles in the Parkway according to an amended plan which

be submitted, providing for some changes in location recommended by the Engineer in Charge.

It was thereupon

Voted, that the request of the West End Street Railway Company to erect poles on the parkway near Bromfield street for carrying its wires for its electric system as shown on a plan of A. E. Plimpton, Engineer, dated March 23, 1894., be granted on condition that the work be made satisfactory to the Engineer in Charge; and that the poles be removed upon notice from this Board.

Mr. Dresser, Engineer of the New England Telephone and Telegraph company, came before the Board and submitted a plan for relocating the telephone poles on Pond St. and the Arboreway at Jamaica Park. He said that the company expect to lay an under ground system in Centre street, Jamaica Plain, within the next two years, when the necessity for these poles will cease and they will be removed. If a temporary location is granted the Company will agree to remove the poles in two years.

The Commissioners suggested that they would be willing to grant a temporary location to expire a year from next September, which Mr. Dresser accepted and it was

Voted, that permission be and it is hereby granted to the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts, to erect and for a period of not exceeding two years from September 5, 1893 to maintain poles with the wires thereon in Jamaica Park near Pond street and in the Arboreway as shown on the plan submitted this day by said Company, and filed with its petition for this permit.

The above permit is granted subject to the following provisions and regulations.

Said Company shall keep said poles well painted and in good condition to the satisfaction of the Board of Park Commissioners; shall place the wires on said poles not less

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than twenty-five feet from the ground: shall keep the name of the Company owning the poles distinctly painted on the cross bars used and occupied by it on said poles: shall allow the departments of the City the exclusive use of the upper cross bar and the top of each pole free of all charge for the purpose of placing wires thereon: shall not suffer or permit any other person to place or keep wires on said poles or upon the fixtures thereto affixed without permission being first obtained in writing from this Board: shall not remove any pole erected under this permit until and shall remove the location of any pole when directed by this Board so to do: and that in violation of any of the foregoing requirements said Board may remove said poles at the expense of the owner thereof.

All work under this permit shall be done to the satisfaction of the Board of Park Commissioners.

No work shall be done under this permit until said Company shall furnish a bond with surety in form satisfactory to the Corporation Counsel Conditioned to save the City harmless from any loss, cost or damage in any way arising from the privileges granted by this permit and any work to be done thereunder, and to fulfil its obligations under the provisions of this permit.

Voted, that the secretary notify the Company to remove the poles thirty days before the expiration of this license.

Voted, that the pay of Herbert Ogden, clerk, be increased from twelve to fifteen dollars per week to take effect May 21st.

The secretary stated that Messrs Collins & Ham offered to deliver stone ballast on the Dorchesterway for the price of filling.

On motion of Mr. Sprague it was,

Voted, that their contract be extended to include such stone for ballasting as the Engineer in Charge can make use of.

Mr. Stevenson came before the Board and offered to settle for one dollar per foot for the land taken and fifty eight hundred dollars for the buildings with interest and the amount of the betterments on the Bellevue street lot, which he would place under restrictions as provided in the park deed. The Board offered fifteen thousand dollars without interest which offer he declined.

Mr. Flynn for Mr. Aggrippino, stated that the cost of the house and the repairs made amounted to child three hundred and eighty dollars. The Board offered thirty three hundred dollars which was accepted and it was

Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board passed December 7. 1893, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land on or near Commercial Street in Ward six of said Boston belonging to several persons or parties whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to Domenico and Maria S. Agrippino as appears by said act there be awarded and paid to the said Domenico and Maria S. Agrippino the sum of thirty three hundred dollars upon their proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Park, Wards six and seven.

Mr. Flynn also stated that Mr. Bergman was offered twenty seven hundred dollars for the lot of 828 feet taken from him. He gave figures to show that it cost him twenty four hundred and forty four dollars. The Commissioners thereupon offered twenty three hundred and fifty dollars which he accepted and it was

Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board passed

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December 7, 1893 a public park was located and laid out in the city of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land on or near Commercial street in Ward six of said Boston belonging to several persons or parties whereof a certain parcel of land was supposed to belong to Willard Welch as appears by said act there be awarded and paid to Joseph L. Bergman the sum of twenty three hundred and fifty dollars, upon his proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the Chairman sign a requisition on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment: said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks Wards six and seven.

The secretary stated that Mrs. Downes had accepted the terms of settlement required by the Board & it was

Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board, passed December 24, 1892 a public park was located and laid out in the city of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land belonging to several persons and parties, whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to Frances H. Downes as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to said Frances H. Downes the sum of six hundred and seventy two $\frac{38}{100}$ dollars upon her proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, including all the covenants, agreements, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of Public Park Deed for the Parkway Muddy River, also upon her giving an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor, and that the Chairman sign a requisition on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment, said amount to be charged to the

Appropriation for Public Parks.

The following were received, read and placed on file.

"City of Boston, In Common Council,

" May 10. 1894.

" Ordered, that the Board of Park Commissioners
" be requested to cause a railing to be placed on the
" top of the sea-wall at Castle Island for the safety of
" persons visiting that locality.
" Passed. Sent up for concurrence. In Board of Aldermen,
" May 14, concurred. Approved by the Mayor May 17, 1894.
" A true copy. Attest: John T. Priest.
Asst. City Clerk."

"City of Boston, In Common Council, May 10. 1894.
" Ordered, that the Park Commissioners, through His
" Honor the Mayor, be requested to give the preference
" to army veterans, when they grant permits for privi-
" leges on the public parks.
" Passed. Sent up for concurrence. In Board of Aldermen,
" May 14, Concurred. A true copy.
" Attest: John T. Priest, Asst. City Clerk."

Communications from Mack and Moore, H. H. Hunt and W. S. Sampson in regard to what make of terra cotta they propose to furnish for the Refectory Building at Franklin Park were received and placed on file.

The Chairman was authorised to approve the draft for the payment of twenty dollars to Eben Munay without regard to any claim of rent for his occupancy of the house.

Betterment bills as per schedule of assessments for Jamaica Park and Arboway (excepting on lots 2. 31. 77. & 82.) and aggregating $154.107; also bills as per schedule of assessments for the Dorchesterway (excepting on lots numbered consecutively from one to twenty four and on lots 27. 40. 55. 56. 58. 59. 66. 71. 94. 95. 96. 108. 109. 110. 111. & 127.) and aggregating ninety-seven hundred and thirteen dollars were submitted to the Board and the Secretary was directed to commit them to the City Collector for collection; the

May 21. 1894. bills excepted, being for assessments which the city had agreed to assume by the terms of settlement with the owners of the lots for land taken.

Adjourned to May 24th at 2 P.M.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Secy.

Boston, May 24. 1894.

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P.M. Present Messrs Kendricken, and Sprague, Mr. Wacher having given notice that he was unable to be present. Also present Messrs E. W. Howe and J. L. Olmsted.

The records of the last meeting were read and abproved.

The request of the Boston Cricket Club that settees be provided at Franklin Field and that water be introduced to the grounds, was refered to the Engineer in Charge for investigation and report. Mr. Howe stated that he believed the settees asked for had been furnished.

The report of Sergeant Dennis that Dorchester Park was in a condition liable to cause fires was refered to the Engineer in Charge.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge wall up the brook on the land of Theresa May in accordance with the agreement made with her.

A report was received from the Landscape Architects regarding the proposition of N. H. Dexter to establish a Zoological garden at Franklin Park, and it was Voted, inexpedient to grant the request.

Sergeant Keefe's analysis of the water supply at his house at Castle Island showing that it was unfit for use, was refered to Sergeant Keith to confer with him in the matter.

On request of Councilman Donovan it was Voted, that permits for the sale of refreshments &c. at

Charlestown Playground on June 18th. be granted by the Sergeant of Police on recommendation of the Alderman and Councilman of the Charlestown district.

The request of James E. Mc. Mullen for a permit for a refreshment stand on Charlestown Playground June 18th was granted.

The request of Charles H. Strafe for a permit for space in Charlestown Playground for ball game and knife back June 18, was rejected.

The request of Mrs. Dole that some shrubs on Franklin Park adjoining her estate be cut down, was refered to the Landscape Architects with instructions to comply with the request as far as they deem it necessary.

The request of Edward D. Rice that the Arboretum be kept open two or three hours after sunset, was taken from the table and refered to Professor Sargent with the suggestion that the time for closing the Arboretum be extended to one hour after sunset during the summer months.

The communication of the Corporation Counsel regarding the Edward's case and other matters was taken from the table, and it was

Voted, that his proposition to settle the Edward's case be accepted providing interest on the proposed settlement be computed at 3%.

Voted, that the Corporation Counsel be authorized to settle the betterment suit of Susan N. Clark for a nominal sum, provided she restricts her remaining land as set forth in the printed form of Public Park Deed, for the Parkway, Muddy River, by an agreement satisfactory to the Law Department.

The Landscape Architects' plan for proposed park in Brighton near Commonwealth Avenue, was taken from the table and placed on file.

The Landscape Architects' plan for a temporary shelter

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building for Dorchester Park was taken from the table, and it was

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to erect two sanitary buildings at Dorchester Park by contract.

The application of David C. Thomson head gardener of Prospect Park Brooklyn for carted bedding plant "Pilea Lebens" was received and referred to the Assistant Landscape Gardener.

A communication from the Superintendent of Streets regarding the erection of fences along Charter and Commercial streets was received, and it was

Voted that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to erect temporary fences at said points.

The request of the Superintendent of Streets for a plan of proposed improvement of the circle End Park adjoining the dock of the Street Department, was referred to the Landscape Architects to prepare a plan.

The account sales of A. Spaulding Hold of property formerly belonging to the Parkman estate and Jamaica Pond Ice Company, were received and allowed.

A communication from Sturgis & Cabot, submitting a bid from the Walworth Construction and Supply Company for heating apparatus for the Field House at Wood Island Park, was received, and it was

Voted, that the bid be accepted for a steel boiler in accordance with the plans and specifications of the architects.

Communications from Walker & Kimball recommending that sawn shingles be accepted in place of split shingles for the Charlestown Heights building and recommending certain changes in plumbing were received.

Voted, that the Architects for the Charlestown Heights building be authorized to substitute sawn shingles for split shingles as called for in the specifications, and to add two bowls and connections for the foreman's and policeman's rooms at a cost not exceeding forty dollars to be allowed as extras on the contract

for the Charlestown Heights building.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to continue the name of James Noonan on the pay roll for half pay from May first.

A communication was received from Mrs. Theresa May requesting permission to buy a short piece of lattice fence on the Parkman estate. Mr. Howe stated that the fence desired by Mrs. May was a wooden lattice of no use to the department and recommended that it be sold for whatever it could bring.

A report was received from Sergeant Dennis regarding Cigils on bicycles and placed on file.

A communication was received from the West End Street Railway Company, requesting approval of locations for poles on the westerly side of Charles street, along the line of the Charles River Embankment, and was referred to the Engineer in Charge.

Mr. Howe reported that the Superintendent of Streets could furnish crushed stone on the Dorchesterway for $1.90 per ton and it was

Voted, that the proposition of the Superintendent of Streets be accepted for one thousand tons.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to purchase ballast for Telford foundation on the Parkway for one dollar per cu. yd.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to roll the Women's and Children's Playground at Wood Island Park to serve as a temporary Cricket Ground.

A communication from A. E. Pillsbury, referred by the Mayor to the Board, regarding the taking and improving of Commonwealth Avenue, also estimates of the Superintendent of Streets of the cost of asphalting Commonwealth Avenue, submitted to the Mayor and refered by him to the Board, were received and laid on the table.

Mr. Killier representing Mr. R. M. Morse came

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before the Board to say that Mr. Morse was not satisfied with the proposed settlement of damages with E. M. Smith and others. He said that Smith was damaged equally with the others and should be treated the same way and interest should be allowed in each case. The Commissioners declined to change their offer.

The application of James J. Dooling for the restaurant privilege in Franklin Park was received and placed on file.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston, May 28. 1894.

Meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P. M.

Present Messrs Kendricken and Sprague, all having been duly notified. Also present Messrs William Jackson, E. H. Horne, Corporation Counsel Babson and Charles Eliot.

Messrs George W. Macauley, E. K. Brown, and Dawson Johnson came before the Board with reference to the taking of material from their estate for filling in the Parkway, with regard to which they desired to come to some agreement with the Board as to obtaining rights of entrance to the Parkway under the restrictions proposed by the Board and also asked that the Board assume the betterments assessed upon their land and agree to remove all the surplus material. The Commissioners said that they would allow entrance to the Parkway, would agree to a settlement of the betterments on the basis of fifty per cent and take what material they could find use for, provided the owners would fix the material and place the land under restrictions.

Mr. E. L. Ware, Assistant Director of Field Work of the State Board of Agriculture, came before the Board and stated that the Gypsy Moth Committee intended

to begin operations at Franklin Park by spraying the foliage and that it would be necessary to wipe off the part so treated for three or four weeks and he asked that the Board give such assistance as may be needed. It was thereupon

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to render whatever assistance may be needed in connection with the work of the Gypsy Moth Committee of the State Board of Agriculture in erecting barriers around the area to be sprayed at Franklin Park.

Mr. Reynolds came before the Board and asked that five years be fixed as the limit of time in which he would be allowed to carry on business in the present store on the land to be restricted. The Commissioners said that they would allow three years.

Voted, that the Engineer allow the Street Department to obtain water for street sprinkling from the stand pipe at Waltz street belonging to this department.

Mr. Henry M. Williams, Counsel for Mr. Stevenson came before the Board and stated that Mr. Stevenson would settle his damages for one dollar per foot for the land taken and fifty eight hundred dollars for the buildings with interest from the time of taking including any rights he may have in the private way known as Longwood Street. He said that Mr. Stevenson had paid the betterment on the Bellevue street lot and did not care to have that included in the settlement. The Commissioners took the offer under advisement.

Mr. Howe stated that he estimated the value of the wall and steps on the Farrington estate at seven hundred and eighty dollars and the wall on the Amory estate at five hundred and twenty-five dollars.

A communication from W. W. Blackmar recommending Capt. J. W. Dolliver for position of

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manager of park houses and refectories was received and placed on file.

A communication from the City Engineer regarding the laying out of the parkway across the Providence Division of the N. Y. N. H. and H. Railroad was received and the following act of taking was passed.

"City of Boston, In Board of Park Commissioners. May 28, 1894.

"Whereas we, the Board of Park Commissioners of "the City of Boston, acting under the authority conferred "by the acts of the legislature of the Commonwealth of "Massachusetts, and particularly under the power con- "ferred by chapter 126 of the Acts of the year 1893, deem "it desirable that a parkway shall be laid out across the "location of the Providence Division of the Old Colony "Railroad at West Roxbury, so called;

"Now, therefore, we the said Board of Park Commis- "sioners, do hereby lay out across the location of said "railroad in that part of said Boston called West Rox- "bury, a parkway bounded and described as follows:- "southwesterly by Morton street, 74 4/100 feet, southeasterly "by land taken from Samuel and Augustus A. Bradstreet "by an act of this board passed April 29, 1892, 190 73/100 "feet, northeasterly by another portion of the location of "said railroad, 74 4/100 feet and northwesterly by other land "taken from said Samuel and Augustus A. Bradstreet "by the act aforesaid, 190 73/100 feet, containing about "17,088 square feet and being shown on a plan entitled "'Plan of land in the City of Boston, Massachusetts, taken "May 28, 1894, for a park under Chapter 185, of the "Acts of 1875, and Chapter 126, of the Acts of 1893. William "Jackson, City Engineer, May 28, 1894" and on file in the "office of this Board.

Paul N. Kendricken.
" Francis A. Walker.
" Charles F. Sprague.

"The Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Boston."

The Chairman stated that Mr. Emery was willing to accept the offer of the Board for a settlement of his

damages for land taken for Jamaica Park, and it was

Voted, that the Corporation Counsel be authorized to consent to a judgment on the petition of Charles B. Amory, for damages for land taken for a public park in the sum of forty nine hundred and thirty five dollars, without interest or costs provided he give a deed for the same containing all the covenants, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of Deed for the Parkway, Muddy River, substituting the words "public way" for "way" in said deed also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses arising or in any way growing out of said taking and the construction of said park.

On recommendation of the Corporation Counsel it was

Voted, that the Corporation Counsel be authorized to consent to a judgment on the petition of George A. Curtis for damages for land taken for a public park in the sum of fifty-five thousand dollars without interest or costs, provided he give a deed for the same containing all the covenants, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of Deed for the Parkway, Muddy River, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses arising or in any way growing out of such taking and the construction of said park.

Voted, that the Corporation Counsel be authorized to consent to a judgment on the petition of Charles F. Curtis for damages for land taken for a public park in the sum of fifteen thousand dollars with interest less one half of the betterment assessed upon the remaining lands of the petitioner, provided he give a deed for the same containing all the covenants,

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restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of Deed for the Parkway, Muddy River, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses arising or in any way growing out of such taking and the construction of said park.

Mr. Howe submitted the following bids for furnishing two thousand cu. yds. of broken stone for Marine Park:

H. P. Nawn	$ 2.27 per cu. yd.
Mass. Broken Stone Co.	2.30 " " " (red)
	2.50 " " " (blue)
Seth Perkins.	2.51 " " "
Street Department.	1.95 " bon. (2.44 per cu. yd.)

and it was

Voted, that the contract be awarded to H. P. Nawn, and the amount of bond be fixed at fifteen hundred dollars.

Mr. Sprague called attention to the bad condition of the Ellicott Street entrance to Franklin Park, and the Engineer in Charge was directed to make temporary repairs.

Voted, that Sergeant Murphy be authorized to detail two men at the North End Park as watchmen, the expense to be charged to the appropriation for Public Park, Wards six and seven.

Voted, that the following applications for sundry privileges at Castle Island, be granted for this season, under the supervision of the Sergeant of Police.

Michael Moloney.	Photograph tent.
Mrs. Catherine A. Haley.	" "
John J. Dixon.	Phonograph.
William Manning.	Refreshments.
Andrew Keefe.	Refreshments.
James J. Tunney.	Refreshments.
John F. Tunney.	Refreshments.
Attilio Progori.	Refreshments.
John H. Collins.	Refreshments.

Voted, that the Secretary notify all other applicants for privileges on Castle Island that their applications are refused.

Mr. Howe reported that the amended plan showing locations for poles on the westerly side of Charles street, presented by the West End Street Railway Co, was satisfactory and it was thereupon

Voted, that the request of the West End Street Railway Company to erect poles on the westerly side of Charles street, along the line of Charlesbank, for carrying its wires for its electric system, as shown on a plan of A. L. Rimpton, Engineer, dated April 17, 1894, be granted on condition that the work be made satisfactory to the Engineer in Charge, and that the poles be removed upon notice from this Board.

The application of Dahlgren Post # 2. G.A.R. for permission to decorate the statue of Admiral Farragut and fire a salute in Marine Park on Memorial Day, May 30 was received and it was

Voted, that the Dahlgren Post # 2 G.A.R. have permission to enter Marine Park for the purpose of decorating the Farragut statue and firing a salute on Memorial Day, May 30th. 1894.

A communication from Mrs. M. Brooks, President of the So. Boston W.C.T.U. with request that all necessary preparations for the use of the ice fountain at Marine Park on Memorial Day, be made, was received and referred to the Engineer in Charge.

Mr. Howe reported that it will cost about six thousand dollars to grade the bank on the Bussey Institution grounds according to Mr. Olmsted's plan.

Adjourned to June 4, at 2 P.M.

Geo. F. Clarke.
Sec'y.

Boston, June 4. 1894.

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P. M.

Present Messrs Kendrieken, Walker and Sprague.

Also present Messrs E. W. Howe and J. C. Olmsted.

The following was received:

"City of Boston, To the Honorable The City Council.

"The undersigned respectfully asks for compensation for damage to her property 46 Bellevue "street caused by the laying out of a public "park in connection with the Muddy River Im- "provement" so called. Loretta L. Ricker.

"In Board of Aldermen, by H. Ricker. "

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"Referred to Committee on Claims. F. W. Galvin, City Clerk.

"Clerk of Committees Department, May 29. 1894.

"Referred to the Board of Park Commissioners for "a report of the facts. By vote of the Committee on Claims.

"James L. Hilliard, Clerk of Committees."

Mr. Ricker being present stated his case to the Board after which the Secretary was directed to write to the Clerk of Committees in reference to the matter, that the estate of Loretta L. Ricker, was assessed, April 29. 1892, a betterment of four hundred and ninety five dollars on account of the laying out of the park referred to in her petition, and that similar assessments were made on a number of estates on the same side of Bellevue Street within three hundred feet of the park. It was the opinion of the Commissioners at that time, that the improvement extended as far as the land of the petitioner and the betterment was assessed accordingly. The question of damages raised by the petitioner, is that the laying out of the park damaged rather than benefited her estate owing to its now being in the rear of property abutting upon the park.

A communication from the Superintendent of the Boston Division of the New England Telephone

and Telegraph Company, enclosing a bond as required by the vote of the Board of may 21, 1894, was received and placed on file.

A communication from D. H. Northrup containing charges against night watchman Healy was received and referred to the Engineer in Charge.

A communication from the West End Street Railway Company accepting votes of the Board authorizing said Company to erect and maintain poles was received and placed on file.

The secretary stated that Mr. Alexander Caertner asks that the Board join in putting a wall or fence on the line between his estate on Bellevue Street and the Riverway, and the matter was referred to the Engineer in Charge to confer with Mr. Caertner.

Bills for fence and wall between the estate of F. H. Goodwin and the Arnold Arboretum were approved for one half the amount or eighty six $\frac{65}{100}$ dollars.

A communication from the Superintendent of Streets regarding the care of the plantation on Commonwealth avenue, between Massachusetts avenue and Charlesgate, was received and the secretary was directed to reply that the grass has not been cut owing to the insufficiency of the appropriation for maintenance.

A communication from Robert M. Morse suggesting settlements in cases of Pigelow, Farrington, Smith, Spaulding, Hall and O'Donnell was received. The offers in the Pigelow, Farrington and Smith cases were accepted and the other matters were laid on the table.

A form of taking for Commonwealth avenue prepared by the Corporation Counsel was received and laid over and the Secretary was directed to ask Mr. Babson for his opinion of the status of Commonwealth Avenue if taken and whether it should not be discontinued as a street.

The Secretary stated that Margaret A. O'Connell

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accepts the proposition of the Board for a settlement of her claim for damages, and it was

Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board, passed December 7. 1893, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston, by taking in fee certain parcels of land on or near Commonwealth street, in ward six of said Boston, belonging to several persons or parties, whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to Margaret A. O'Connell, as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said Margaret A. O'Connell, the sum of six thousand and three hundred dollars upon her proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Park, Wards six and seven.

The proposition of Mr. Stevenson for a settlement of his case, made by Mr. H. W. Williams at the last meeting, was considered and the Secretary was directed to inform Mr. Williams that the Board declines his proposition.

In the case of Thomas Reynolds for damages for land taken for Leverett Park, Mr. Sprague moved that the time during which he is to carry on business be limited to five years, and it was

Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board passed April 30, 1890, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land on or near Muddy River, belonging to several persons or parties, whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to Thomas Reynolds, as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to Thomas Reynolds the sum of six hundred and thirty-seven and $^{00}/_{100}$ dollars, upon his proving title

thereto and giving a deed for the same, including all the covenants, agreements, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of Public Park deed for the Parkway, Muddy River, with the proviso that said restrictions shall not apply for the term of five years next after the date hereof to the use for mercantile purposes of so much of the present building on said Reynold's land as is now devoted to such purposes, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

The matter of lights at Castle Island was referred to the Chairman to confer with the Boston Electric Light Company regarding the cost of lighting.

Mr. Howe submitted the following:

"Quincy, Mass, May 25, 1894.

" E. W. Howe Esq. Park Engineer. City of Boston.

" Dear Sir: We will furnish # 1. Boston

" Paving Blocks delivered at any park in Boston

" for forty one dollars per M. Stone to be delivered

" at such time and in such quantities as you

" may designate, and all stone to be perfectly

" satisfactory. Quincy Paving & Edgestone Co.

"W. J. Hill, Supt."

and it was

Voted, that the proposition of the Quincy Paving and Edgestone Co. be accepted for the paving stones required for Marine Park.

A communication from the Board of Police regarding the use of bicycles by the Park Police was received and referred to the Chairman for reply.

A request from the City Messenger for a permit to give open air concerts on the public parks was received and it was

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Voted, that the City Messenger be authorized to give open-air Concerts on the park lands as requested in his letter of June 1, 1894, the band stands where required to be located as directed by the Engineer in Charge.

Voted, that the Board of Police be requested to furnish this department with fifty copies of the Police Manual for the use of the park police.

Mr. Adams came before the Board in regard to a settlement of damages for the taking of land from Ella L. Adams, and agreed to take fourteen thousand dollars and place restrictions upon the remaining land, provided the City would assume the betterments, and it was

Voted, that whereas by two certain acts of this Board passed April 29, and December 24, 1892, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston, by taking in fee certain parcels of land belonging to several persons and parties, whereof two certain parcels of land belonged to Ella L. Adams, as appears by said acts, there be awarded and paid to said Ella L. Adams the sum of fourteen thousand dollars upon her proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, including all the covenants, agreements, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of Public Park Deed for the Parkway, Muddy River, also upon her giving an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment, said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

Voted, that the bill for betterment assessment on lot numbered sixty one on assessment plan for Jamaica Park and the Arborway, amounting to one thousand six hundred and seventy-seven dollars, and assessed to Frances D. Perkins et. al, be withdrawn from the City Collector, said betterment assessment having

been assumed by the City under Chapter 226 of the acts of the year 1884.

Voted, that the bill for betterment assessment on lot numbered sixty two on assessment plan for Jamaica Park and the Arborway, amounting to six hundred and ten dollars, and assessed to S. Lothrop Thorndike et. al., be withdrawn from the City Collector, said betterment assessment having been assumed by the City under Chapter 226 of the acts of the year 1884.

Voted, that the bill for betterment assessment on lot numbered sixty three on assessment plan for Jamaica Park and the Arborway, amounting to four thousand and eight hundred dollars, and assessed to Quincy A. Shaw, be withdrawn from the City Collector, said betterment assessment having been assumed by the City under Chapter 226 of the acts of the year 1884.

Voted, that the sum of one hundred and one dollars assessed to Parker B. Burbank and heirs of Philip J. Trifsp, upon an estate on the east side of Buttonwood Street, and numbered eighty two on assessment plan be abated and that the same amount be assessed to heirs of Philip J. Trifsp upon the same estate.

Voted, that the bill for betterment assessment on lot numbered seventy six on assessment plan for Jamaica Park and the Arborway, amounting to two thousand and twenty-two dollars, and assessed to Theresa May, be withdrawn from the City Collector, said betterment assessment having been assumed by the City under Chapter 226 of the acts of the year 1884.

Mr. Howe stated that there was no water pipe in Blue Hill avenue and the Secretary was directed to notify the Boston Cricket Club that until the pipe is laid in Blue Hill avenue the Board is unable to grant its request.

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Voted, that the time for closing Castle Island be extended to 8.30 P.M. during the summer, and that the Secretary notify Sergeant Keith accordingly.

Mr. Howe was directed to employ a larger force to complete the work at Fremont Entrance.

Voted, that the Purchasing Agent procure fifty settees for Charlestown Heights.

The Secretary was directed to write to the President of Harvard College for consent to grade the north end of the Bussey Institution grounds bordering on the Arborway, as indicated on a plan by the landscape Architects, dated April 30, 1894.

Miss E. M. Dorey came before the Board in the matter of damages for the taking of her property for the North End Park. Subsequently it was

Voted, to make a final offer of sixty five hundred dollars for the Dorey estate; and the Secretary was directed to notify her accordingly.

Adjourned to June 11. at 2. P.M.

Geo. F. Clarke.
Sec'y.

Boston June 11. 1894.

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2. P.M. Present messrs Kendricken, Walker and Sprague. Also present His Honor the Mayor, and messrs Jackson Howe and F. L. Olmsted.

The mayor brought up the matter of the annual picnic of the park laborers, and stated that, as the holiday is granted to the men in order that they may attend the picnic of their labor organization, only those who attend the picnic are entitled to the holiday. This plan he said was followed by the Street Department and he recommended its adoption by the Board.

The Mayor suggested that the Board request the Metropolitan Park Commissioners to appropriate a sufficient

sum of the five hundred thousand dollars appropriated for boulevards to the widening of Mattapan Street, in extension of Blue Hill avenue, which is to be widened by the City from Grove Hall to Mattapan.

It was thereupon

Voted, that in the opinion of this Board some part of the loan of five hundred thousand dollars for boulevards should be expended on the south side of the city, and we therefore, respectfully request the Metropolitan Park Commission to appropriate a sufficient sum of the five hundred thousand dollars appropriated for boulevards to the widening of Mattapan Street from Mattapan to the Blue Hill Reservation in extension of Blue Hill avenue which is to be widened by the City from Grove Hall to Mattapan.

The Mayor stated that he had signed the order for a transfer of five thousand dollars from the Reserved Fund to the appropriation for Park Department to provide for the Park police, and it was

Voted, to call the suspended men for duty.

The following were received and placed on file:

"City of Boston, In Board of Aldermen, June 6. 1894.
" Ordered, that the City Auditor be authorized to trans-
" fer from the Reserved Fund the sum of five thousand
" dollars to the appropriation for Park Department, the
" same to be expended for maintenance of the Park
" Police force and the re-instatement of the members
" suspended from said force. Passed, Yeas 11. nays none.
" Sent down for concurrence. June 7. Came up concurred,
" Yeas 55, nays none. Approved by the Mayor
" June 11. 1894. A true copy,
" Attest John F. Priest, Asst. City Clerk."

" City of Boston, In Common Council, May 31. 1894.
" Ordered, that Chapter 396 of the Acts of the year
" 1894, being 'An Act to authorize the City of Boston to
" incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law,
" for park purposes' be and hereby is accepted. Passed.

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"Sent up for concurrence. In Board of Aldermen "June 6, concurred. Approved by the Mayor June 8, 1894. "A true copy. Attest: John J. Priest, Asst. City Clerk."

Mr. H. M. Williams representing James and Grace Stevenson, came before the Board and said that his offer made at a former meeting, is all he was authorized to make, but that he had authority to accept other terms if the Board saw fit to offer any which did not involve the placing of restrictions on the other lot belonging to Mr. Stevenson. After some discussion the Commissioners offered to pay one dollar per foot for the land taken from Grace Stevenson, 14,041 square feet and twenty-five hundred dollars for the buildings, with interest from the time of taking to date of passing papers provided Mr. Stevenson would restrict his remaining land on the Riverway in the usual manner. Mr. Williams said he would submit the offer to Mr. Stevenson.

Mr. O'Connor of O'Connor & White came before the Board and stated that the reason for the delay in carrying out this contract, was owing to the difficulty of working the clay with teams, the water making the road impassable at times. For this reason they had put in a steam shovel and the work would be finished by August. The Chairman said that unless they put on more men and show substantial improvement in the manner of Conducting the work by July 1st. the Board will feel obliged to cancel the contract.

The contract for refectory building at Franklin Park was signed by the Board and approved by the Mayor.

A communication from Dr. E. S. Boland calling attention to the lack of seats at Marine Park, owing to the pier being closed, was received. The Chairman stated that he had ordered the pier to be opened and the Secretary was directed to so notify Dr. Boland.

A Communication from His Honor the Mayor in regard to the laying out of the parkway across the tracks of the N. Y. N. H. & H. R. R. was received and placed on file.

A Copy of a vote of the Overseers of the Poor requesting that a license be granted to William Stone, at present a

recipient of city aid, for a refreshment stand at Brattle Island or elsewhere, was referred to Mr. Sprague with full power.

The circular of G. W. Bromley & Co. of intention to issue a new atlas of Boston proper and Roxbury, soliciting orders, was received and placed on file.

Voted, that the City Engineer be requested to prepare plans and specifications for filling the Strandway from "G" Street to Marine Park, so that a contract can be advertised immediately.

Voted, that the City Engineer prepare a notice to Messrs Collins & Ham to fill on Dorchesterway on the easterly side of the Old Colony railroad, under article "G" of their contract, to the same grade as the westerly side.

Messrs Woodward Emery and Samuel Bradstreet came before the Board in reference to a settlement for the taking of the Bradstreet property for the Arborway. Mr. Emery submitted figures showing a total damage for the lot between South Street and the railroad of twenty nine thousand nine hundred and thirty dollars, and of the land between Washington Street and the railroad of twenty three thousand eight hundred and eighty six dollars, making a total for both lots with interest of fifty seven thousand five hundred and eighty three $\frac{12}{100}$ dollars.

The Commissioners declined the offers and suggested that an offer based on fifty cents a foot for the land taken might be favorably considered.

A communication was received from the President of Harvard College, in regard to the grading on the Bussey Institution grounds, indicated on the Landscape Architect's plan, and the Secretary was directed to reply that the Board will construct an entrance from the Arborway to the Bussey Institution grounds as requested, and that the Board cannot tell when the grading can be completed as it will depend upon the work of the department in other places

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where the material is intended to be used.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to employ such assistance in the engineering force as may be necessary to do the work of the Department

A communication from Sergeant Markley recommending that police and fire alarm boxes be located in the public parks, was received and the Secretary was directed to refer the matter to Sergeants Dennis and Keith with reference to their jurisdictions.

The application of N. P. Cook for leave to run the merry-go-round at Franklin Park by steam power until July or August, when the electric wires will be extended to the park was granted.

A communication from H. P. Ellison for the heirs of Joseph Nickerson regarding a claim against Moulton & O'Mahoney for damage by blasting was referred to the Secretary to confer with Moulton & O'Mahoney in regard to the claim.

A communication from the Boston Electric Light Company in regard to cost of lights for Castle Island was received and placed on file.

A communication from Mrs. I. F. Andrews, complaining of a fence adjoining her property which the foreman refuses to keep up in proper position, was received and referred to the Engineer in Charge.

The Secretary stated that Mr. Nichols figures the damages to Fisk's Wharf by the taking of the right of way at ten thousand six hundred dollars.

A notice from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, that the Secretary's commission as Justice of the Peace expires July 1. 1894. was received and it was

Voted, that the Secretary of the Commonwealth be requested to renew the Commission of the Secretary of this Board as Justice of the Peace.

Communications from H. M. & D. H. Pickner appealing from the assessment of betterments and requesting apportionment, were received and placed on file, and the

Secretary was directed to notify Mr. Tichnor of the next regular meeting.

A communication from Dwight Braman, requesting an entrance from his land to Westland Entrance and the Fens, and agreeing to restrict his land in a suitable manner was received, and referred to the Landscape Architects. Mr. G. D. Braman also came before the Board and explained the matter.

Voted, that the usual notice of apportionment of betterments be advertised; the time for issuing demands to be set for August first, with the concurrence of the City Collector.

Voted, that the bill for betterment assessment on lot numbered three on assessment plan for Jamaica Park and the Arborway, amounting to three thousand, four hundred and eighty-nine dollars, and assessed to Ella C. Adams, be withdrawn from the City Collector, said betterment assessment having been assumed by the City under chapter 226 of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty four.

Voted, that the bill for betterment assessment on lot numbered one on assessment plan for Jamaica Park and the Arborway, amounting to nineteen thousand, six hundred and fifty dollars, and assessed to George S. Curtis, be withdrawn from the City Collector, said betterment assessment having been assumed by the City under Chapter 226 of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty four.

Voted, that the bill for betterment assessment on lot numbered thirteen on assessment plan for Jamaica Park and the Arborway, amounting to one thousand, five hundred dollars, and assessed to Charles B. Amory, be withdrawn from the City Collector, said betterment assessment having been assumed by the City under Chapter 226 of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty four.

Voted, that the Water Board be requested to lay water pipes to the Field House at Wood Island Park,

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as indicated on plans to be furnished by the City Engineer.

A petition was received from residents of Charlestown, requesting the Board to prepare a suitable place at Charlestown Playground to permit the playing of handball, and the Engineer in Charge was directed to clear up Charlestown Playground, so far as possible to permit games to be played there.

The question of heating the building at Charlestown Heights and of providing electric lights for the building and grounds, was referred to the Engineer in Charge.

A communication from John Mc. Glinn requesting appointment of Mary A. Mc. Glinn as attendant of the women's toilet rooms at the Shelter at Charlestown Heights, was received and placed on file.

A communication from G. Wolff, regarding his application for permit to sell on Castle Island, was received and placed on file.

On the application of Robert W. Sice and others, the Secretary was directed to furnish advanced sheets of park report to the newspapers desiring them.

The opinion of the Corporation Counsel on several matters submitted to him, was received, also a form of laying out the parkway across the tracks of the N. Y. N. H. & H. Railroad, which was signed and sent to the Registry of Deeds. Also proposed orders to be passed by the City Council, to change restrictions in deeds already given, which were laid over.

Adjourned to June 15 at 2. P. M.

Geo. F. Clarke, Sec'y.

Boston, June 15. 1894.

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2. P. M.

Present Messrs Kendricken, and Sprague, all having been duly notified. Also present Messrs Jackson

and Howe.

Mr. Codman for Olmsted, Olmsted & Eliot, submitted a plan of proposed bridge and wharf adjoining the City wharf at the North End Park, and the plan was referred to the Engineer in Charge to confer with the Superintendent of Streets in regard to readjusting the division line between the park and the City wharf.

Mr. Codman also submitted a revised grading plan for shore of pond near Eliot street dated May 21, 1894, and a communication from the Landscape Architects with reference to the North End Park plans and other matters which was read and placed on file.

Corporation Counsel Babson came before the Board to confer with reference to a settlement of the case of Dearborn and Brown for land taken for the Parkway Muddy River. Mr. Babson stated that he thought a settlement could be arranged on a basis of an award not exceeding twenty seven thousand dollars and interest, they to pay one half the betterments or to figure the interest at four per cent and give the usual deed providing for restrictions on their remaining land. The matter was left in Mr. Babson's hands to settle on the basis of either alternative.

Mr. Herbert Coolidge came before the Board in reference to the award made to the heirs of Philip J. Trisko for land taken for the Dorchesterway, and stated that the conditions which the Commissioners had imposed as to restrictions on the remaining land had prevented the giving of the deed, as the Probate Court would not order it under the conditions in which the estate was left by the will. He further said that in order to carry out the agreement, some of the heirs would be obliged to buy the remaining land at considerable expense, and asked that the Board allow a further sum by way of interest to enable them to carry out this arrangement. The commissioners

June 15. 1894. agreed to add interest to their award to the amount of one hundred and sixty eight dollars less the sum of eighteen dollars which Mr. Coolidge stated he had received as rent since the land was taken, and it was

Voted, that the vote of this Board of April 10, 1893. awarding the sum of one thousand four hundred and six 2/100 dollars to Elizabeth G. Tripp, Executrix, be rescinded.

Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board passed April 29, 1892. a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land at or near Five Corners, so called, in Dorchester, belonging to several persons and parties, whereof two certain parcels of land on Mt. Vernon and Shelburne streets were supposed to belong to Azariah H. Tripp, Executor, as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to Elizabeth G. Tripp sole surviving executrix of the will of Phillips J. Tripp, the sum of fifteen hundred and fifty-six 2/100 dollars upon her proving title thereto, and giving a deed or release for the same and also procuring from the owner of the remaining portion of said land a deed ~~draft in favor of said payment~~; said amount ~~to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks~~, including all the covenants, agreements, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of Public Park Deed for the Parkway, South Boston, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

Voted, that the bills for betterment assessments on lots numbered fifty two, eighty two, and ninety on

assessment plan for Dorchesterway amounting to four hundred and sixty-three dollars, and assessed to the heirs of Philip J. Tripp, be withdrawn from the City Collector, said betterment assessments having been assumed by the City under Chapter 226 of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty four.

Voted, that the final estimate under the contract with Moullon & O'Mahoney, dated November 28, 1891, for grading on the Parkway, be allowed and paid notwithstanding the limit of time within which the contract was to be completed.

Mr. H. M. Williams came before the Board in the interests of James and Grace Stevenson, and accepted the offer of the Board made at the last meeting, the interest to be figured to the 20th inst, when the papers would be passed. It was thereupon

Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board passed April 30, 1890, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land on or near Muddy River, belonging to several persons or parties, whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to Grace Stevenson, as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to said Grace Stevenson the sum of twenty thousand, six hundred and forty-eight and $\frac{69}{100}$ dollars, upon her proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor, provided that a suitable agreement is given to place the restrictions contained in the printed form of Public Park Deed for the Parkway, Muddy River, upon the lot of land between said park and Bellevue street, now or formerly belonging to James Stevenson, said agreement to provide also for right of access from said land to the park upon the conditions

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set forth in said deed and to be satisfactory to the City Solicitor, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks

Ellen M. Dorey accepted the offer of the Board of taker for sixty five hundred dollars for her estate for the North End Park and it was

Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board, passed December 7, 1893, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston, by taking in fee certain parcels of land on or near Commercial Street, in ward six of said Boston, belonging to several persons or parties, whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to the heirs of William Dorey, as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to Rosanna and Ellen M. Dorey the sum of sixty-five hundred dollars upon their proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking satisfactory to the City Solicitor, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Park, Wards six and seven.

Voted, that the request of the City Messenger for permission to make arrangements for bicycle races at Franklin Park, fire works and band concert at Marine Park and Jamaica Park, and for a band concert at Charlesbank, July 4th, as set forth in his letter of June 14. 1894 be granted, said arrangements to be under the direction of the Engineer in Charge.

A communication was received from the City Architect regarding the removal of the Stake to the pier and the building of a temporary flight while the work of constructing the "Head House" at Marine Park is going on, and the matter was referred to Mr. Howe to confer with the City Architect to see if the contract for the Head

House does not cover this work.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be allowed leave of absence for one week from June 23d.

The chairman stated that the following had been received subsequent to the meeting of May 28th. and that he had directed that the holiday be allowed until the Board could consider the matter.

"Circular No. 102. City of Boston, Office of the Mayor.
"To the Heads of Departments. Gentlemen:- You are hereby
"directed to allow, in part compensation for their services,
"all employees of the City whose services can be dis-
"pensed with, a half holiday without loss of pay, on
"Saturdays, beginning with Saturday June 2nd. 1894,
"and ending with Saturday, September 29th. 1894.
"May 28. 1894. Respectfully, N. Matthews Jr. Mayor."

It was thereupon,

Voted, that a half holiday, without loss of pay, be granted to all the employees of this department whose services can be dispensed with, in part compensation for their services, on Saturdays beginning June second, and ending with Saturday September twenty ninth, eighteen hundred and ninety-four.

Mr. Richard Gorham came before the Board and stated that the corporation Counsel had agreed with him to submit a proposition to the Board for an adjustment of the betterment case of James L. Gorham, on a basis of fifty per cent of the betterment assessed, said betterment to be assumed provided he restricts his land as set forth in the usual park deed.

The Commissioners replied that no such suggestion had been made by Mr. Dabson and referred Mr. Gorham to him.

Ex. Alderman Ford came before the Board to urge the reopening of the dump on the Strandway. He said the contractors for removing the hills of the Blind Asylum had their plant in and the delay in the opening of the dump caused much inconvenience both to them and the neighbors. The

June 15. 1894. Commissioners stated that it was uncertain as to what could be done in regard to re-opening the dumps.

Voted, that the Corporation Counsel be authorized to consent to a judgment on the petition of Charles P. Farrington, for damages for land taken for a public park in the sum of seven thousand and eighty dollars without interest or costs, provided he give a deed for the same containing all the covenants, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of deed for the Parkway, Muddy River, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses arising or in any way growing out of such taking and the construction of said park.

Voted, that the offer of Henry D. Goodenough dated May 14, 1894, to sell two parcels of land on Western avenue, Brighton, containing respectively four hundred and twenty four thousand two hundred and twenty, and two hundred and seventeen thousand, eight hundred square feet, for twenty one thousand dollars be accepted provided that the buildings are included, and that the Secretary notify Mr. Goodenough accordingly.

A communication from C. S. Sargent agreeing to extend the time for closing the Arboretum until one hour after sunset provided the policemen continue to patrol the Arboretum until the gates are closed, was rec'd, & it was

Voted, that the time for closing the Arboretum be extended to one hour after sunset and that Sergeant Dennis be notified to have two policemen on duty.

An invitation from the Metropolitan Park Commissioners to visit Middlesex Falls on Tuesday next was accepted.

A request from Miss Parkman for the privilege of taking certain additional shrubs &c. from the Parkman estate was received, and it was

Voted, that the request be granted; the plants to be removed under the direction of the Assistant Landscape Gardener.

A communication was received from George Allen requesting that the grass be cut on the plantations on Commonwealth avenue, between Massachusetts avenue and Charlesgate East, with suggestion of Mr. Howe that the grass be sold standing, and the Engineer in Charge was requested to attend to it.

A communication from David F. Barry regarding the betterment assessment on land of Mary M. McCauley, on Washington street was received and referred to the Secretary for reply.

A communication was received from the Commmonwealth Yacht Club tendering thanks for location granted, also in regard to the erection of a club house requesting instructions as to plans, and the Secretary was directed to reply that the progress of the work of filling the Strandway will not warrant the building of a club house for some time to come, but that any plans which the club wishes to submit will be considered.

Adjourned to June 25 at 2. P.M.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Secy.

Boston, June 25. 1894.

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2. P.M. Present Messrs Kendrick, Walker and Sprague. Also present Messrs William Jackson and Charles Eliot.

Mr. H. S. Garuth, Secretary of the Metropolitan Park Commission, came before the Board and submitted plans of the taking made by the Metropolitan Park Commission for the Stony Brook Reservation. The Board concurred in the said taking as follows:

"Know all Men By These Presents, That Whereas, the

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" Metropolitan Park Commission, duly established
" under and by virtue of an act of the Legislature of
" Massachusetts, being chapter 407 of the acts of the
" year 1893, has taken with the concurrence of and in
" consultation with the proper local board, being the
" Board of Park Commissioners for the City of Boston in
" the county of Suffolk in said Commonwealth,
" and for the purposes defined in said act, certain
" real estate referred to or described in the taking
" to which this instrument is annexed, dated this
" day, these presents being hereby made a part thereof,
" which real estate lies in said Boston, and is shown
" upon a plan marked "Metropolitan Park Commissioners'
" Plan No. 11," to be recorded herewith.

" Now, Therefore, the said Board of Park Commission
" ers for said City of Boston, all duly chosen, qualified
" and acting, doth hereby join in and signify its
" approval of said taking and its concurrence with
" the said Metropolitan Park Commission therein, and
" in every act, matter and thing connected therewith.
" Witness our hands this thirtieth day of April, A.D. 1894.

" Paul H. Kendricken, Chairman
" Francis A. Walker.
" Charles F. Sprague.

" The Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Boston."

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" presents being hereby made a part thereof, which real
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" 12." to be recorded herewith,

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"for said city of Boston, all duly chosen, qualified and
"acting, doth hereby join in and signify its approval
"of said taking and its concurrence with the said
"Metropolitan Park Commission therein, and in every
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" Charles F. Sprague.

"The Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Boston."

Mr. Benjamin A. Ham came before the Board with reference to the extension of his contract for filling on the Dorchesterway. Mr. Ham stated that he had seen the General Manager of the Old Colony Division of the New York New Haven and Hartford Railroad who had informed him that the railroad company would not consent to the crossing of the railroad at grade to permit of the filling being done, and that it would be necessary for the city to build a bridge. It was thereupon

Voted, that the City Engineer make arrangements to permit Collins & Ham to fill on the westerly side of the railroad above the grade provided for in their contract, and that the Chairman be authorized to apply to the Railroad Commissioners for their consent to the building of a bridge at a height not less than fifteen feet in the clear above the railroad.

Messrs Hills and Jenney came before the Board in reference to the construction of the Strandway. Mr. Hills suggested that the filling of the Strandway should be from H. street to Marine Park instead of from K street. If this were done he would be disposed to erect a building on his land near I street. Mr. Hills and Mr. Jenney asked that the Board

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consider the feasibility of allowing Mr. Borden's house which is made from the cabin of Steamship Baltic to remain on the beach at 2 street street as an interesting feature of the locality, and of permitting him to continue the business of hauling out and refitting boats.

Aldermen See and Dain came before the Board with reference to the filling of the Strandway with material from the hills near the Blind Asylum. Alderman See asked that the Board re-open the dump on the Strandway in order that the work of clearing the land of the Blind Asylum may be continued. He said that the removal of the surplus earth would be an improvement to the neighborhood outside of the question of getting rid of it for the Asylum people, and the Board should consider it in the light of a public improvement and provide for it if possible. It was thereupon

Voted, that the City Engineer make arrangements for reopening the dump on the Strandway near K street upon the same terms as provided in the vote of the Board of February 5, 1894, and to exclude the area to be filled in this manner from the part of the Strandway authorized by the Board to be placed under contract.

A communication was received from P. F. Mc. Donald in reference to a settlement of his his damages for land taken for Franklin Field, and the Secretary was directed to notify him that the Board has declined his offers for a settlement of his damages and if he has any new proposition to make the Board will consider it.

The City Engineer submitted plans, specifications and advertisement for Sanitary buildings at Franklin and Dorchester parks, and it was

Voted, that the plans be approved and proposals be advertised for.

A proposition from Andrew Barberry, to furnish filling on the Arborway for forty-one cents per cu. yd. was received. The City Engineer stated that he thought the offer was a low price, and it was-

Voted, that the proposition be accepted for what filling is required not to exceed a cost of two thousand dollars.

A proposition of Bosworth and French to make changes in plumbing at the Field House, Wood Island Park, submitted by Messrs Sturgis & Cabot with plan of proposed changes, was approved, excepting the substitution of iron for brass pipe, the extra price, if any, for making said changes to be ascertained as provided in the contract.

Mr. H. M. Tichnor came before the Board to protest against the betterment assessed upon his property on Burroughs street. The Commissioners replied that his remedy was by petition to the Superior Court for a jury to assess the betterment.

Voted, that the Chairman be authorized to advertise for the removal of a part or the whole of the old wharves at the North End Park.

A petition was received from a large number of persons requesting that Castle Island be lighted and opened evenings which was read and placed on file.

The City Engineer submitted a plan for locating fifteen temporary electric lights on Castle Island, and it was

Voted that the Boston Electric Light Company be notified to erect fifteen lights on the overhead system, at Castle Island, according to said plan, and start the service immediately.

It was also

Voted, to close the Island at 10.30 evenings after the lights are established, also that additional police be provided for.

Mrs. Abby A. Parry came before the Board in regard to a settlement of her damages for the taking of her estate for the North End Park. After discussion the Board offered seventy seven hundred and twenty five dollars, which she accepted, and it was

Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board passed

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December 7. 1893, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston, by taking in fee certain parcels of land on or near Commercial Street, in ward six of said Boston, belonging to several persons or parties, whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to Abby A. Barry, as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said Abby A. Barry the sum of seventy-seven hundred and twenty-five dollars upon her proving title thereto and giving a deed in the same, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking satisfactory to the City Solicitor, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Park, Wards six and seven.

Mr. Sprague was requested to confer with the Mayor, in regard to the closing of Perkins street during the work of cutting down the junction of Perkins and Chestnut streets.

Mr. Eliot presented a plan for laying out the North End Park, dated June 15. 1894, which was discussed and referred back to the Landscape Architects with directions for sundry changes.

A proposition of James L. Gorham for adjustment of betterments was received, and the Secretary was directed to reply that the Board has no power to abate betterments except in cases of settlement of land damages.

A request of the City Architect for a water supply for the Head House at Marine Park was received, & it was voted, that the Water Board be requested to lay a water pipe in Marine Park to supply the Head House and one or more hydrants as shown on a plan to be furnished by the City Engineer.

A proposition signed by E. F. Mason to excavate the Seawall Bridge and deliver the stone to the crusher and back to the shed for one dollar and ninety seven

cents per cu. yd. was received and laid over until a bond in the sum of one thousand dollars is furnished satisfactory to the Corporation Counsel.

Estimates of the value of estates of Samuel and Augustus B. Bradstreet by William J. Wakeman, were received from the Corporation Counsel with recommendation for compromise, which was read and placed on file.

The Secretary was directed to confer with the Treasurer of the Boston Gas Light Company with regard to a settlement of damages for its property taken for a park at the North End.

An offer of John E. Sheran for a settlement of land damages for estate taken from the heirs of Peter Sheran for the North End Park for four thousand dollars with interest, was received and it was

Voted, that the offer be accepted.

A request of M. Anagnos that the Strandway dump be reopened was received and the Secretary was directed to inform him of the action of the Board in the matter.

A request of Alfred Sorensen, for permission to lay a lighter temporarily at Barnes's wharf, was declined.

Voted, that the Secretary notify Messrs Barnes and Partelow that the Board sees no evidence of their intention of carrying out their contract, and that unless the boats are provided as specified in the contract, the Board will consider the matter of contracting with other parties. Also to request them to come before the Board at its next meeting, to show cause why they have not fulfilled the requirements of the contract.

Mr. Mc. Nary called in behalf of Mr. Walsh's application for appointment as gymnastic instructor at Wood Island Park. The application was placed on file.

Mr. Frank A. Ruggles came before the Board with reference to a settlement of the damages for land taken from the heirs of Eunice C. Ruggles

June 25. 1894. for the Dorchesterway. After some discussion he said that he would further consider the matter and submit an offer.

Mr. J. J. Quigley notified the Board that he had discontinued the boat service to Castle Island.

Adjourned to July 2 at 2 P.M.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston, June 29. 1894.

A special meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2. P.M. Present Messrs Kendricken, Walker and Sprague.

Mr. B. W. Palmer of Story and Thorndike came before the Board and stated that their clients, heirs of Mary E. Palmer, would agree to the laying out of Park street according to Messrs Olmsted's plan and release land and grade damages, provided the work was done at the City's expence and no betterments were assessed.

He said that they were not acting for Mr. Higgins, but that they understood that he would agree if grade damages to his estate were provided for. These he thought could be offset against betterments already assessed.

Mr. George A. Perkins of the League of American Wheelmen was given a hearing at his request.

Mr. Perkins said that he represented a great many wheelmen and asked that the Board order that lanterns should not be required on bicycles in the public parks as they were not required by Chapter 479 of the acts of 1894, a bill passed by the Legislature after a unanimous report from the Committee which considered the matter. After some discussion it was Voted, that the ordinances adopted for the use and government of the public parks so far as they relate to the Parkway, Arnold Arboretum, Franklin Park, Marine Park and Wood Island Park be hereby

amended by striking out in the last clause of rule seven the words "or without a light at night."

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge erect a temporary fence of rustic posts and ribbon wire, on inside of wall at Castle Island, and construct a walk and fence near the bridge where required.

A communication was received from the Board of Health calling attention to the condition of the waters in the creeks within the Back Bay Fens, and the Chairman stated that he had given orders to have the water changed.

A communication was received from the City Engineer in regard to controlling the water of the Fens automatically, also stating that "the covered channel (Muddy River) should be cleaned out, and that portion of it which was not rebuilt and is now supported by heavy timbering should be rebuilt at once." It was thereupon

Voted, that the City Engineer prepare estimates of the cost of doing the work recommended by him and submit them to the Board.

The request of James H. Younie for a permit to use Wood Island playground to drill for the carnival to be held at East Boston was granted.

The following was received.

"City Hall, June 27, 1894.

"Hon. Paul H. Kendrickin,

"Chairman Park Commissioners. Dear Sir: I have
"this day charged to the appropriation for Public
"Parks the sum of $8.688.40 being for expenses incur-
"red in the defense of suits for damages by the taking
"of land for park purposes, as per schedule enclosed.

"Very truly James H. Dodge, City Auditor."

also bills for legal expenses, and the matter was referred to the Corporation Counsel to ascertain whether the City Auditor can legally charge the said bills to the appropriation for public parks, they not having been submitted to this department for approval or placed on a requisition to the City Auditor for payment by this Board, and

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whether it is required of this department to pay these bills.

The Secretary was directed to notify Mr. Baker, contractor for the shelter on the Riverway, that the work is not proceeding at a speed which will insure its completion within the time called in the contract, and that the work must be pushed with more vigor.

Voted, that the Water Board be requested to lay a water pipe at and near Perkins street on the Scarboro Pond main.

A complaint against Miss Mc. Martin and officer Davenport was received from Joseph Cohen with report on the matter from Sergeant Murphy, and the Secretary was directed to request Mrs. Kate Gannett Wells to caution Miss Mc. Martin not to repeat the offence of using undue severity in her treatment of visitors, that minor transgressions inadvertently or thoughtlessly committed, should be treated with leniency, especially in the case of delicate women and children, and that the Board would not like a repetition of these complaints. The Secretary was also directed to request Sergeant Murphy to caution officer Davenport to be more considerate in the future in addressing women and children and to inform the officer that he was at fault in the language used and rough manner. A communication was also sent to Mr. Cohen.

A communication from Charles W. Eliot regarding grading of the east end of "Plainfield," with request that the time be fixed when the grading will be completed, was received and the Secretary was directed to reply, that the Board will use every effort to have the work completed within the year indicated as being acceptable to him.

A communication from the Superintendent of Streets regarding the Pond Street sewer, also surface drainage of land north of the parkway, was received and referred to the Engineer in Charge for report.

A communication from Albert E. Pillsbury, and order of the Board of Aldermen and accompanying petitions regarding the taking of Commonwealth avenue were taken from the table, and the following act of taking was passed:

Whereas this Board deems it advisable to connect the public park in the city of Boston known as the Back Bay Fens with the public grounds in said city known respectively as the Public Garden and the Common and with the junction of Beacon street and Brookline Avenue by selecting and taking for that purpose all that part of Commonwealth avenue hereinafter described:

And whereas the consent of the Board of Aldermen of said City, and also the consent in writing of the owners of a majority of the frontage of the lots and lands abutting on said part of said avenue to such selection and taking has been obtained, it is

Voted that this Board, for the purpose of making the connection aforesaid, does hereby, under and by virtue of the power conferred on it by chapter 300 of the acts of the year 1893, select and take all that part of said Commonwealth avenue which is bounded northwesterly by Beacon street westerly by the northerly line of said avenue, easterly by Arlington street, and southerly by the southerly line of said avenue.

Estimates from the Superintendent of Streets of the cost of asphalting Commonwealth avenue, submitted to the Mayor and referred by him to this Board were taken from the table and Mr. Sturgis was requested to see the Mayor with a view of having the work done by contract, under the supervision of the Superintendent of Streets.

Notice of the expiration of the insurance on the building at Charlesbank was received and the Secretary was directed to renew it.

A Communication from the Commonwealth Yacht Club tendering its thanks for the site granted it for a new Club house on the Esplanade was received & referred to the Secretary for reply.

A Communication from William E. Howe with offer of a bronze fountain by Anne Whitney was received and laid over pending arrangements for the Board to view it.

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A communication was received from Walter L. Perry requesting permission to erect a canoe lodge on the southern point of Castle Island, which was rejected

Voted, that the Corporation Counsel be authorized to consent to a judgment on the petition of Edward M. Smith for damages for land taken for a public park in the sum of nine thousand seven hundred and six and $\frac{25}{100}$ dollars without interest or costs, provided he give a deed for the same containing all the covenants, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of deed for the Parkway, Muddy River, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses arising or in any way growing out of such taking and the construction of said park.

Voted, that the Corporation Counsel be authorized to consent to a judgment on the petition of Manson Bigelow, for damages for land taken for a public park in the sum of two thousand three hundred and thirteen and $\frac{60}{100}$ dollars without interest or costs, provided he give a deed for the same containing all the covenants, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of deed for the Parkway, Muddy River, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses arising or in any way growing out of such taking and the construction of said park.

Voted, that the Corporation Counsel be authorized to consent to a judgment on the petition of John L. Dearborn for damages for land taken for a public park in the sum of twenty-seven thousand dollars with interest at four per cent provided he give a deed for the same containing all the covenants, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of deed for the Parkway, Muddy River, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses arising or in any way growing out of such taking and the

construction of said park.

Voted, that the City Solicitor be authorized to omit from the deed to be given by Thomas Reynolds, clause No. 3 of restrictions, and to provide that the restrictions in clauses one and two shall apply only to so much of the remaining land of said Reynolds as lies within one hundred feet from the park line shown in red on the plan accompanying the deed given by Margaret Prendergast.

Voted, that the bill for betterment assessment on lot numbered eight on assessment plan for the Parkway, Muddy River, in Roxbury, amounting to four thousand three hundred and ninety-nine dollars, and assessed to Sarah A. Dearborn and heirs of Albert Brown, be withdrawn from the City Collector, said betterment having been assumed by the City by vote of this Board under Chapter 226 of the acts of the year 1884.

Voted, that the bill for betterment assessment on lot numbered forty-nine on assessment plan for the Parkway Muddy River, in Roxbury, amounting to seven hundred and eighty-four dollars, and assessed to Thomas Reynolds, be withdrawn from the City Collector, said betterment having been assumed by the City under Chapter 226 of the acts of the year 1884.

Voted, that the bill for betterment assessments on lots numbered ten, twelve, eighteen and twenty on assessment plan for the Parkway, Muddy River, in Roxbury, amounting to nine thousand, eight hundred and ninety-four dollars, and assessed to Jacob Edwards, be withdrawn from the City Collector, said betterment having been assumed by the City under Chapter 226 of the acts of the year 1884.

Voted, that the bill for betterment assessment on lots numbered nine and fourteen on assessment plan for Jamaica Park and the Arborway, amounting to three thousand and eighty-five dollars and assessed to Charles F. Farrington be withdrawn from the

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City Collector, said betterment assessments having been assumed by the City under Chapter 226 of the acts of the year 1884.

Voted, that the bill for betterment assessment on lot numbered twelve on assessment plan for Jamaica Park and the Arborway, amounting to one thousand nine hundred and seventeen dollars, and assessed to the heirs of Abraham D. Pigelow, be withdrawn from the City Collector, said betterment assessment having been assumed by the City under Chapter 226 of the acts of the year 1884.

Voted, that the bill for betterment assessment on lot numbered twenty-one on assessment plan for Jamaica Park and the Arborway amounting to two thousand four hundred dollars, and assessed to Robert M. Morse, be withdrawn from the City Collector, said betterment assessment having been assumed by the City under Chapter 226 of the acts of the year 1884.

Voted, that the bill for betterment assessment on lot numbered twenty two on assessment plan for Jamaica Park and the Arborway, amounting to two thousand, three hundred and fifty-six dollars, and assessed to Edward M. Smith, be withdrawn from the City Collector, said betterment assessment having been assumed by the City under Chapter 226 of the acts of the year 1884.

The Secretary stated that he had conferred with Mr. Addicks and that he had asked that the Board make a formal offer in writing in order that he might present it before his Board of Directors, it was thereupon

Voted, to notify the Boston Gas Light Company that the settlement of the damages for the taking of its land for the North End Park, can be made with this Board at two dollars and twenty-five cents per square foot.

Voted, that a requisition be made to the Civil Service Commissioners for the certification of the names of

William A. Mc. Ginnis and William H. Fitzgerald for park police officers for reserve duty.

Voted, that William A. Mc. Ginnis be appointed a park police officer for reserve duty, to take effect when certified by the Civil Service Commissioners.

A communication from the City Conveyancer in regard to the titles of land on the northeast side of Western avenue near North Harvard street belonging to Henry D. Goodenough, was received, and the City Engineer was requested to have the land surveyed.

Mr. Henry H. Forbes came before the Board in support of the petition of Thomas Cunohan for another location for a merry-go-round at Franklin Park.

A petition from Edward H. Hawes requesting a new location for a merry-go-round to be assigned to Timothy J. Cunohan was received and the matter was refered to the Landscape Architect to assign said location.

A communication was received from W. Prentiss Parker complaining of the music at the merry-go-round at Franklin Park, which was placed on file, the Chairman stating that he had already made a verbal reply.

A report was received from the Engineer in Charge on Mr. Northrop's charges against officer Healey which was read and placed on file.

A request of Daniel F. Shea to be transfered from the North End Park to Franklin Park was received and rejected.

The Complaint of S. H. Simonds regarding the burning of refuse material on Charlestown Playground was received and refered to the Engineer in Charge.

A communication from the City Engineer recommending an increase of pay for John W. Corbett inspector at Franklin Park was received and laid over.

June 29. 1894. A communication was received from George R. King regarding the price at which he would furnish views of the park system and the secretary was directed to reply that the offer was satisfactory.

A communication was received from the City Auditor regarding charges for legal services in settlement of land damages which was read and placed on file.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston, July 2. 1894.

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2. P.M. Present Messrs Kendricken, Walker and Sprague. Also present Messrs E. W. Howe and Charles Eliot.

Mr. Howe submitted an offer from Thomas Minton of six hundred and fifty dollars for the stone crusher, engine, and wood work attached, at the Fens with the understanding that payment will be made with stone for ballast delivered on the Parkway at one dollar per cubic yard cart measurement and it was Voted, that the offer be accepted the crusher to be removed immediately.

Mr. Eliot submitted a revised plan for laying out the portion of the North End park between Charter and Commercial streets, which was approved with minor changes, and the Landscape Architects were authorized to proceed at once with the working drawings.

Mr. Reuter came before the Board and asked that a shade be put on the electric light near his house, and the matter was referred to the Landscape Architects and Engineer in Charge to see what can be done.

Mr. Reuter also asked that the one thousand dollars which the Board agreed to contribute towards his wall be paid as the wall was completed. It was thereupon Voted, that there be allowed and paid to Henry H. Reuter the sum of one thousand dollars towards the cost

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of the wall built by him on the line of Everett Park provided he gives a release of all damages caused by the laying out and construction of said park, together with an agreement to hold his remaining land abutting upon said park subject to the restrictions set forth in the form of deed for the Parkway, Muddy River; said release and agreement to be satisfactory to the City Solicitor, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment, said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

Voted, that the bills for legal expenses sent to this office by the City Auditor for payment be approved by the Chairman if the Corporation Counsel says they are properly chargeable to this department.

Certificates of the eligibility of William A. McGinnis and William H. Fitzgerald for appointment as park police officers were received.

Voted, that William H. Fitzgerald be appointed a park police officer for reserve duty to take effect July 2nd.

Voted, that reserve officer William B. Foy be detailed for auxiliary police duty at Castle Island when his services are required by Sergeant Reith.

Mr. C. H. Barney, General Manager of the Park Boating Company, came before the Board and submitted his reasons in writing why the Company had not fulfilled its contract. The communication was read and placed on file.

Mr. Barney also submitted a request that the company be permitted to place two swan boats on Everett Park to provide convenient transportation for ladies and children, instead of the small electric launches which cannot be built for use this summer and it was

Voted, that the request be granted, the boats to be removed on notice from this Board.

A petition was received from the West India Cricket

July 2. 1894. Club, requesting the use of a portion of Franklin Field as a practise and playground, and it was

Voted, that the West India Cricket Club be granted the use of a portion of Franklin Field for a cricket ground, provided that said use does not conflict with the dates already fixed for the match and practise games of the Boston Cricket Club.

A communication was received from Frank A. Ruggles offering to settle the damages for land on Buttonwood Street taken for the Dorchesterway for two hundred dollars, and the Secretary was directed to reply that the damages claimed were excessive and the Board, therefore, declines the proposition.

A petition requesting that the care of the building at Charlestown Heights be placed in charge of Mrs. M. A. Lyons, was received and placed on file.

A communication from P. F. Mc. Donald regarding a settlement of land damages was received and laid over.

Mr. William H. Homes came before the Board with reference to a settlement of his claim for damages for the taking of his land for the Arborway, and of the betterments assessed upon his remaining land. After some discussion the Board offered to pay thirty cents per foot for the land taken and deduct one half of the amount of the betterment and withdraw the bill from the City Collector which offer Mr. Homes accepted, and it was

Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board passed December 24, 1892, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land belonging to several persons and parties, whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to William H. Homes as appears by said act; there be awarded and paid to the said William H. Homes the sum of one hundred and seventy-seven dollars upon his proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, including all the covenants, agreements, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of Public Park Deed for the Parkway, Muddy

River, also upon his giving an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment, said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

Voted, that the bill for betterment assessment on lot numbered eighty one on assessment plan for Jamaica Park and Arboretway, amounting to one thousand eight hundred and six dollars, and assessed to William H. Holmes, be withdrawn from the City Collector, said betterment assessment having been assumed by the City under Chapter 226 of the Acts of the year 1884.

A request of William M. Pike for a permit to run automatic swings on Castle Island was received and rejected.

A report from Sergeant Dennis on the question of patrol and fire boxes on the public parks was read and referred to the Engineer in Charge.

The proposition of the Metropolitan Construction Company to deliver filling in the North End Park at ten cents a sing's load and twenty cents a double load was rejected.

A communication was received from William A. Gaston offering to settle the claim of the Boston Catholic Cemetery Association for land taken for Franklin Field, "upon payment by the City of four and one-half cents per square foot for the land taken, with interest on said sum from the date of the taking, May 19, 1892; the Park Commissioners to build and maintain a suitable fence between the Park and the cemetery," and the Secretary was directed to reply that the Board is obliged to decline the offer but that a settlement can be made on a basis of three cents per foot, or twenty-five hundred dollars.

In regard to a communication previously received from William E. Stowe offering a gift of a bronze fountain by Anne Whitney, it was, after being viewed by the

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Voted, that the fountain be accepted and that the Landscape Architects be requested to submit plans for a location.

A request was received from Mr. Edward Thompson that the Board macadamize the walk and remove the old buildings at Fremont entrance and the Secretary was directed to say, that the walk is the same as in all other similar places, and that the buildings will be removed as soon as the state of the work will warrant it.

Adjourned to July 9. at 2 P.M.

Geo. F. Clarke, Sec'y.

Boston July 9. 1894.

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2. P.M.

Present messrs Kendricken and Sprague, Mr. Walker being absent from the city. Also present His Honor the Mayor, the Corporation Counsel, Superintendent of Streets and messrs Jackson, Howe and J.C. Olmsted.

The following bids were received and taken under advisement

Filling at Marine Park.

Seth Perkins, Jr.	Boston,	47 ¢ per. cu. yd.
William L. Miller.	"	47 ¢ " " "
Eastern Dredging Co,	"	47 7/8 ¢ " " "
New England Dredging Co.	"	54 ¢ " " "
Boynton Brothers,	"	55 ¢ " " "
Hugh Farrell,	Somerville.	57 ¢ " " "
Jones & Meehan.	Boston.	58 ¢ " " "
Columbia Dredging Co.	E. Boston,	60 ¢ " " "

Removing wharves North End Park.

William L. Miller,	Boston.	$ 3.400.
May & Ellis.	"	4.000.
Trumbull & Ryan,	"	4.650.
O'Connor & White,	"	5.875.

W. H. Wyman,	Chelsea,	6.000.
J. N. Hayes & Co.	Boston,	6.000

Toilet Buildings at Franklin and Dorchester Parks.

Joseph Ross,	Boston,	$ 1.552.
Thomas Keyes,	"	2.118.
S. D. Rogers,	"	2.193.
Robert H. Sutherland,	"	2.285.
W. H. Keyes & Co.	"	2.429
D. J. Donavan & Sons.	"	2.782
John J. Flynn,	"	3.218
C. H. Dodge,	"	3.528

Subsequently it was

Voted, that the proposal of Seth Perkins Agt. for filling at Marine Park be accepted and the amount of bond required be fixed at thirty thousand dollars.

Voted, to award the contract for removing wharves at North End Park to William L. Miller under a bond of one thousand dollars, and for toilet buildings at Franklin and Dorchester Parks to Joseph Ross under a bond of five hundred dollars.

A conference was held with the Mayor and Corporation Counsel in regard to the improvement of Commonwealth avenue, and it was

Voted, whereas in the opinion of this Board it is best to improve Commonwealth avenue from Arlington street to Massachusetts avenue by resurfacing the roadways with an asphalt pavement laid on a concrete base by regulating the surface drainage, by re-setting edgestones, and re-laying sidewalks when necessary, by providing an underground system for electric lighting and otherwise putting said Commonwealth avenue in first class condition: Be it ordered that said improvement of said Commonwealth avenue be made at once at an estimated cost of one hundred and fifty-six thousand dollars.

Voted, that the Secretary prepare a schedule of the owners of the land on both sides of Commonwealth

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avenue from Arlington street to Massachusetts avenue, for the purpose of laying an assessment for the improvement of said avenue, and to employ such assistance as may be necessary.

Voted, that the Commonwealth avenue improvement be done under the direction of the Superintendent of Streets subject to the approval of this Board, and that the Chairman or Chairman pro. tem, in the absence of the Chairman, be authorized to approve all contracts required in the execution of said work.

Mr. Howe stated that the Street Department in laying a sewer in the Arboreway had run a ten inch pipe through the culvert to which he objected, and after some correspondence with Mr. Carter, the Superintendent of Streets had agreed to remove the pipe if the Board would permit of his carrying the sewer across the Arboreway. It was thereupon

Voted, that the Superintendent of Streets be permitted to lay a sewer across the Arboreway as recommended by the Engineer in Charge, and that the Secretary issue a permit accordingly.

Mr. Howe stated that he did not have the cracked stone for surfacing the Arboreway adjoining the Arnold Arboretum but that the Superintendent of Streets had some five thousand cubic yards stored at the Dimock street crusher which he said Mr. Carter would be willing to furnish at a reasonable price, and it was

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to arrange with the Superintendent of Streets to supply the crushed stone for surfacing the Arboreway drive adjoining the Arboretum.

Mr. Howe submitted a report in reference to the letter from the Superintendent of Streets of June 22nd, concerning the building of sewers in Dorchesterway recommending their immediate construction. The Commissioners called the attention of the Superintendent of Streets to Mr. Howe's report and requested that he give the matter early consideration.

The Secretary stated that the Boston Gas Light Company would settle its damages for the land taken for the North End Park for two dollars and twenty five cents per foot with interest from the time of taking, provided the Board would agree to assume any betterments assessed upon its remaining land, and it was

Voted, that the offer be accepted and that the Secretary notify the Boston Gas Light Company accordingly.

Voted, that the City Engineer employ Mr. Baxter to survey the land of the Boston Gas Light Company.

A communication from the Corporation Counsel regarding bills of expert witnesses and other expenses in trying and settling cases for land damages, was received and placed on file, the Chairman stating that on the receipt of the Corporation Counsel's opinion he had approved the bills.

An application of the Brookline Gas Light Company to lay a pipe in Charlesgate West, according to a plan submitted by J. A. Gould Jr. in behalf of the Company, was received and it was

Voted, that the Brookline Gas Light Company be authorized to lay a four inch gas pipe in Charlesgate West on the extension of West Newbury street, as shown on the plan submitted this day, but not to extend more than two feet east of the westerly line of said Charlesgate West.

Plans for arranging the Pine Bank house to serve as a refectory were received from the City Architect and it was

Voted, that the City Architect be requested to prepare new plans for altering the Pine Bank refectory at an estimated cost of not exceeding five thousand dollars without materially altering the exterior of the present building.

Voted, that the final estimate under the contract with James Killian, dated December 5, 1893, be allowed and paid, notwithstanding the provision in said contract which allows payment to be

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withheld forty days after the completion of the work.

A request of D. W. Waldron for permission to have music at the Old Folks Party to be held at Franklin Park July 23'd, was received, and it was

Voted, that the management of the Fresh Air Fund be permitted to have music at the picnic for old folks July twenty third as has been customary in past years.

The Secretary was directed to inquire of the Park Boating Co. what progress they are making towards supplying the boats for the public parks and report at the next meeting of the Board.

A contract was executed with H. P. Nawn for excavating the ledge on Beaver Street, the stone to be delivered at the crusher and back to the street for one dollar and ninety seven cents per cubic yard.

Mr. Howe reported on the matter of heating the building at Charlestown Heights and of providing electric lights for the building and grounds, that a single electric light would be sufficient for lighting the grounds and that the building be wired for electric lights. It was thereupon,

Voted, that the building at Charlestown Heights be wired for electric lights under the direction of the architects.

A bid of Thomas Ferree for providing heating apparatus for the Charlestown Heights building for three hundred and twenty five dollars was received from Walker and Kimball and referred to the Chairman with authority to accept the bid if the specifications were satisfactory.

The schedule of proposals for heating Charlestown Heights Shelter, received by Walker & Kimball is as follows:

		Radiating surface, square feet.		Partial,	complete
Magee Furnace Co.	Boston,	116.	308	$148.	$385.
Buerkel & Co.	"	116.	348	200.	380.
Brock Bros.	Cambridge			210.	400.
Bell & Co.	E. Boston.	120.	382 ½	187	333.
Thomas Ferree.	"	120.	382 ½	175	325.

Upon the City Engineer's recommendation received June 29th. it was

Voted, to increase the pay of John W. Corbett, inspector at Franklin Park, from three dollars and fifty cents to four dollars per day.

A communication was received from Kate Gannett Wells regarding the complaint of Joseph Cohen against Miss Mc. Martin and officer Davenport stating that she had acquainted the Superintendent of the Gymnasium of the Commissioners views, and that the offence would not be repeated. The communication was placed on file, the Secretary having notified Mr. Cohen of the action of the Board.

Mr. Olmsted submitted a preliminary plan for laying out the portion of the North End Park south of Commercial Street, dated July 9. 1894, and it was

Voted, that the plan be approved, and that the Landscape Architects prepare working drawings as soon as possible.

In regard to the communication received from P. F. Mc. Donald at the last meeting requesting a settlement of his claim for damages for land taken for Franklin Field, at ten cents per foot. Mr. Babson stated that he valued the land taken at about twenty-two thousand dollars, but that to avoid a suit he would go as high as twenty five or twenty-six thousand dollars. After some discussion the Secretary was directed to notify Mr. Mc. Donald that the Board cannot meet his views of the value of the land taken for Franklin Field, but that it will consider favorably an offer of twenty-six thousand dollars should he be willing to settle for that amount.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to promote E. G. Manahan and Chester J. Wallace from the position of rodman to that of Leveler, at the rate of pay of three dollars per day; and that the pay of F. F. Skinner, rodman, be increased

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to two dollars and twenty five cents per day and that of B. K. Howard, rodman, be increased to two dollars per day to take effect July sixth.

Geo. F. Clarke
Sec'y.

Boston, July 20. 1894.

A hearing was given at the Aldermen's Room at the City Hall at eleven A. M. in answer to certain petitions from property owners on Commonwealth avenue remonstrating against the proposed asphalting of the avenue. Commissioner Sprague presided, the other Commissioners being away from the City.

Among those present besides the Mayor, the officials of the Street and Park Departments, were the following named

H. L. Higginson,
Herbert M. Sears,
Dr. F. P. Sprague,
George Wheatland,
C. A. Cotting,
Peter B. Bradlee,
D. M. Wentworth,
Charles Torrey,
Hon. Thomas N. Hart,
Hon. Hugh O'Brien,
Hon. George G. Crocket,
Alexander Cochrane,
C. H. Dalton,
William B. Gale,
Ex. Attorney Gen'l. Albert E. Pillsbury,
Reginald C. Robins,
Oliver Ames,
Grenville H. Norcross.
F. Merriam,
Charles Merriam,
J. Murray Forbes,
C. F. Lovering,
Walter Hunnewell,
Henry Parkman,
Desmond Fitz Gerald,
Arthur Beebe,
George B. Upham,
Augustus Lowell,
William F. Hart,
Joseph Sawyer,
Arthur Savage,
H. R. Horton,
B. E. Cole,
E. E. Cole,
Charles W. Parker,
William A. Richards.

A stenographic report of the hearing was taken by J. A. Mc. Kibben the Mayor's assistant secretary, an abstract of which has been written out and is on file. The hearing was adjourned to July 27th, at the same hour and place.

Geo. F. Clarke Sec'y

Boston, July 27. 1894.

An adjourned hearing was given to the abutters on Commonwealth avenue with reference to the question of laying an asphalt pavement on the avenue, at the Aldermen's room, City Hall, at eleven A. M.

Present Messrs Hendrichen and Sprague, also present the Superintendent of Streets, Mr. E. W. Howe and Messrs J. Murray Forbes, E. E. Cole, Hon. Thomas N. Hart, William Spaulding, Oliver Ames, 2nd, Herbert M. Sears, George Wheatland, J. Arthur Beebe, Henry S. Drew, Grenville Norcross, Henry Parkman, Dr. H. O. Marcy and others.

Mr. Henry Parkman stated that a majority of the residents, a number of whom he represented, objected most strenuously to the proposition to asphalt the avenue and they hoped that the Park Commissioners would see their way of their own accord to rescinding the vote to asphalt the avenue. He did not propose to discuss the merits of the different forms of pavement, and unless some one should appear among the remonstrants who differed from him in his views it would be only fair to assume that they agreed with him in his objections to asphalt. As to the best system to be used, that would be a matter for subsequent consideration.

Dr. H. O. Marcy read a paper on sanitation, in which he showed the importance, from a sanitary point of view, of having streets with asphalt. Its excellent qualities are its impenetrable surface, its cleanliness, its freedom from noise, and the ease with which it can be freed from filth. The only objections made to it are that it is slippery and not durable. The fact is that it is only slippery when foreign subjects are on it and it is really not so slippery as stone pavement. As to its durability when properly laid, there is no system that stands wear better than asphalt, as can be seen in European cities and in Washington.

Dr. Marcy read letters he had received from superintendents of streets in many of the large cities of the country, who gave unqualified approval to asphalt

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pavements where heavy loaming is not required, and in the residential parts of a city.

No one else desiring to be heard, Mr. Parkman made the closing argument. Mr. Parkman said that nine tenths of the people here to day are opposed to asphalt and that they are supposed to know its relative merits and demerits. He did not know of any streets in New York devoted to residences as Commonwealth avenue is, which were paved with asphalt. The residents of the avenue are so far of the same opinion as shown last week that they will make an effort to raise forty thousand dollars on condition of the Commissioners rescinding their vote to lay an asphalt and put down a Macadam or Telford payment; the fund to be held by trustees and five thousand dollars to be paid annually for maintenance of the avenue for eight years. They will go about this matter at once, and believe the effort will be successful, from their knowledge of the feeling of the residents on the avenue.

Mr. Parkman suggested that it was an unfortunate time to enter upon such an undertaking on account of so many of the people directly interested in the matter being out of town, and asked that those interested be given as long a time as possible to effect this proposition. "We will," he continued "then come to you and show you that the sum named is in the hands of a committee consisting of J. M. Forbes, George G. Crocker and Colonel Henry L. Higginson."

The Chairman stated that the Board had agreed to give the petitioners two weeks from next Monday in which to raise the required amount and that meanwhile the work is to proceed in such a way that it can be utilized for either system of paving.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston, July 27. 1894.

A special meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2. P. M.

Present Messrs Kendrichen and Sprague Genl. Walker being absent from the city. Also present E. W. Howe.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

A communication from Seth Perkins Agent submitting the names of Josekh I. Paine M. D. and Daniel Mc. Laughlin as bondsmen under the contract for filling at Marine Park; a report of the Secretary on the financial standing of the bondsmen offered by Mr. Perkins; a communication of William L. Miller requesting reconsideration of the action of the Board in awarding the contract to Seth Perkins Agent, and a communication from the Mayor declining to approve a Contract with Seth Perkins Agent, or J. J. Costello, were received and placed on file; also the following opinion of the Corporation Counsel in the matter:

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" Charles F. Sprague Esq.
" Chairman Board of Park Commissioners
" Dear Sir: In my opinion your
" Board can, without occasioning damages for
" which the City would be liable, decline to execute
" the contract with Seth Perkins, agent, or his
" Principal, although his bid was accepted and
" he notified that the contract was to be given
" to his Principal.
" Second. If the Mayor does not approve a con-
" tract the contract has not been made and no
" contract having been made for doing the work
" it becomes the duty of your Board to proceed to
" make a contract which would receive the
" Mayor's approval. Yours truly, Thomas M. Babson.
" Corporation Counsel."

July 27, 1894. The Board not being satisfied with the Principal disclosed by Mr. Perkins, declined to make the contract with him and

Voted, that the contract for filling at Marine Park be awarded to William S. Miller, with the proviso that payments be limited to twenty-five thousand dollars in 1894.

Mr. Howe submitted a plan of the land on Western avenue, Brighton belonging to E. B. Goodenough et. al, showing the actual area of the lots to be eleven thousand seven hundred and fifty five square feet less than the area represented in Mr. Goodenough's offer. Allowing a proportionate reduction for the decreased area the amount to be paid for the larger lot is thirteen thousand eight hundred and five $\frac{30}{100}$ dollars, and for the smaller lot, six thousand eight hundred and twelve $\frac{6\text{c}}{100}$ dollars, and it was,

Voted, that the Secretary notify Mr. Goodenough of the over estimate of land in his offer to the Board, as shown by the survey, and to ask that a proportional sum be deducted from the amounts to be paid.

A report was received from the Engineer in Charge in regard to the area of land taken from the Boston Gas Light Company, stating that the plan of the G. L. Company is substantially correct and that a new survey would not be worth while. It was thereupon

Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board, passed December 7, 1893, a public park was located and laid out in the city of Boston, by taking in fee certain parcels of land on or near Commercial street, in said city of said Boston, belonging to several persons or parties, whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to the Boston Gas Light Company, as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said Boston Gas Light Company the sum of thirty-eight thousand two hundred and thirty nine and $\frac{7\text{c}}{100}$ dollars therefor its proving title thereto and giving a deed or release for the same, containing a clause that the

City will assume any betterments assessed upon the remaining lands of said Company on account of the laying out and construction of said park, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking satisfactory to the City Solicitor, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks, Wards six and seven.

A communication was received from Frank A. Ruggles for the Heirs of Eunice M. Ruggles, making a proposition to settle their damages for the laying out of the Dorchesterway through their estate for one hundred dollars under the terms of his former letter as to restrictions and betterments. The offer was accepted and it was

Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board passed April 29, 1892, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land at or near Five Corners, so called, in Dorchester, belonging to several persons and parties, whereof a certain parcel of land on Buttonwood street, belonged to the heirs of Eunice M. Ruggles as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to Frank A. Ruggles Harriet E. Bates and Charles H. Ruggles the sum of one hundred dollars upon their proving title thereto, and giving a deed for the same, including all the covenants, agreements, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of public Park deed for the Parkway, South Boston, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking satisfactory to the City Solicitor, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment:

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paid amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

On a statement of Mr. Howe in regard to the claim of Charles J. Foster for damages caused by personal injuries received from blasting, it was

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to keep the name of Charles J. Foster on the pay rolls for half pay to an amount not exceeding one hundred dollars on condition of his giving a release of damages satisfactory to the Law Department.

A report from the Engineer in Charge as to the progress of work at Wood Island Park was received and placed on file.

The Board held a conference with His Honor the Mayor with regard to the financial condition of the department, a statement having been prepared by the Secretary showing that on account of the unusually large number and amount of the settlements for land damages, the appropriation available for use this season has been so far diminished that some of the work laid out to be done will have to be given up and the working force reduced. The Mayor agreed to appoint a day for a meeting to consider the matter.

Voted, that Reserve Officer W. A. McGinness be detailed for watchman's duty at the North End Park to take effect when he can be transferred from Marine Park.

Geo. F. Clarke, Sec'y.

Boston, July 30. 1894.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2. P. M. Present Messrs Sprague and Andrews, Mr. Walker being absent from the City. Also present His Honor the Mayor, and Messrs Eliot and Howe. The Board re-organized by the

choice of Charles F. Sprague as Chairman and John F. Andrew as Chairman pro. tem.

A conference was held with the Mayor with reference to the state of the appropriation for lands and construction, and the need of reducing the working force at the earliest time practicable. The Mayor stated that, in his opinion, no further settlements of land damages payable from the loan for Public Parks should be made beyond those already agreed upon. The Mayor also consented to a reduction of the working force employed under contract, as soon as the works upon which they are at present engaged are finished, enough being retained, however, to insure the completion of the work on the parkway, which was contemplated to be finished this season.

Mr. George R. Swasey, representing Mr. Seth Perkins and F. J. Costello, came before the Board in regard to the contract for filling at Marine Park.

Mr. Swasey said that Mr. Perkins had made arrangements to regain possession of his plant at an expense of about twenty-two thousand dollars and that he had obtained his discharge from the Insolvency Court. The taking away of the contract with Mr. Perkins at this time would be a great injustice to him.

The Chairman replied that the Board had acted in the matter at its meeting last Friday and that the personnel of the Commission having since changed they could not consider the matter open for discussion.

Mr. Eliot submitted a report from the Landscape Architects upon the plans for the Wm. Parkman House, recommending certain changes, and the matter was referred to the City Architect to make the changes in the plans suggested by the Landscape Architects and submit the revised plans to the Board with an estimate of the cost of carrying them out, also to report upon the question of the

July 30. 1894. sufficiency of the present heating apparatus in the building and the cost of replacing it should that course be considered necessary.

Mr. Eliot also submitted a report upon the improvement of Commonwealth avenue between Arlington street and Massachusetts avenue with plan and elevation of curbing, which was laid on the table.

Mr. H. V. Partelow came before the Board with reference to the Park Boating matter. Mr. Partelow made a statement of his connection with the Company, claiming that Mr. Barney by false representations and valueless checks had induced him to order stock and go into debt to a large amount which has caused him great embarrassment, and he asked that in whatever action should be taken by the Board his claims for consideration should be taken into account. He also asked that the Board grant no extension of their contract to the Park Boating Company but that it be terminated.

Mr. Howe was requested to notify the City Engineer to stake out the lines of the West Roxbury Parkway at once.

Mr. Jesse L. Nason came before the Board in the interest of P. F. Mc. Donald to effect a settlement if possible of his claim for damages for the taking of his land for Franklin Field. Mr. Nason said that he had no interest in the matter and stated his connection with the case, he first having been asked by Mr. Babson to appraise the land, and afterwards by Mr. Mc. Donald. He gave his views of the value of the land and submitted an offer from Mr. Mc. Donald to settle for thirty three thousand dollars which the Board took under consideration.

Adjourned to August 1. at 2 P. M.

Geo. F. Clarke
Sec'y.

Boston, August 1. 1894.

A special meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at Mr. Sprague's office, 23 Court street at 10. A. M.

Present Messrs Sprague and Andrew.

A communication from Mr. George R. Swasey with reference to the matter of the award of the contract at Marine Park was received, and Mr. Swasey was sent for and given a hearing. Mr. Swasey repeated the statements which he had made before the Board at its meeting of July 30th with others of a similar import and agreed that his clients were competent and properly equipped for doing the work and that the Board should fulfil its first intention of making a contract with them.

Subsequently the Commissioners signed the contract with W. L. Miller and forwarded it to the Mayor for approval.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston August 1. 1894.

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2. P. M. Present Messrs Sprague and Andrew, Mr. Walker being absent from the city. Mr. Howe was also present. The record of the special meeting of July 27th. was read and approved.

The Board discussed the question of further appropriations for carrying on the work at Franklin Field and other places, and directed the Engineer in Charge to continue the work until further notice.

Mr. Howe was authorized to erect a back stop on Charlestown Playground.

A petition from Charles Merriam and others and sundry communications remonstrating against paving Commonwealth avenue with asphalt; also commu-

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nications from Oliver Ames and others favoring asphalt pavement and communications from the Superintendent of Streets regarding contract work on Commonwealth avenue: also proposals from H. Gore & Co. and Barber Asphalt Company for asphalting the avenue previously received were laid on the table.

The request of R. E. Young that the department lay a water pipe to his house at Franklin Field was declined.

The offer of P. F. Mc Donald to settle his claim for damages for land taken from Franklin Field for thirty-three thousand dollars, made at the last meeting, was declined and the Secretary was directed to ask the Corporation Counsel whether the proposition to leave the matter of his damages to be determined by referees, made by Mr. Mc. Donald in his letter of July 17th, would be a proper action for the Board to take.

Mr. Howe submitted a plan of retaining wall on the easterly side of Chestnut Street at the pumping station, also a plan of coping at change in line of wall, which were approved, and it was

Voted, that the Chairman be authorized to order the changes made according to said plans under the contract with James Killian.

Communications from H. V. Parkelow regarding his connection with the Park Boating Company, also that the franchise granted said company be cancelled and that he be given leave to place boats at Marine Park and Leverett Park for the rest of the season, and permission to form a new company were received and referred to the Landscape Architects for report.

A communication from the Landscape Architects, enclosing copy of a letter from the General Manager of the Park Boating Company containing a proposition for extension of time &c. also a communication from C. H. Parney regarding the progress and present situation of the Park Boating Company were received and laid on the table pending a report from the Landscape Architects on communications of Mr. Parkelow.

A complaint of James S. Kaulback against officer Nugent was received and laid on the table and a hearing set for Monday, August 6th. at 3. P.M.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston, August 6. 1894

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P. M.

Present Messrs Sprague and Andrew, Mr. Walker being absent from the city. Also present Messrs Jackson, Howe, F. L. Olmsted and Charles Eliot.

The records of the last meeting and special meeting of August 1. were read and approved.

Voted, that the amount appropriated March 12. 1894. for work at Franklin Field be increased by transferring four thousand dollars from the amount appropriated for Franklin Park, also that eight hundred dollars be transfered from the appropriation for Betterments to constitute a new appropriation for Dorchester Park.

Voted, that the Purchasing Agent procure two hundred settees for the Fens and Riverway and that the sum of five hundred dollars be transfered from the appropriation for Franklin Park to the appropriation for the Fens and five hundred dollars to that for the Riverway to cover paid expenses.

A complaint was received from Wm. Pierce of disturbances by people occupying seats near Westland Entrance of the Fens, and the Engineer in Charge was directed to remove the seats complained of to some other location.

On a report of Sergeant Dennis that the practice of fishing from the shore of Jamaica Pond was objectionable it was

Voted, that the Ordinances adopted for the use and government of the public parks, so far as they

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relate to Jamaica Park, be amended in clause three by inserting after the word "bathe" the words "or fish."

Sergeant Murphy's report of the need of an additional officer at Leverett Park, and of additional police at Wood Island Park, and Charlestown Heights when the buildings are completed, was received and laid on the table, and it was

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge take temporary charge of the buildings at Wood Island Park and Charlestown Heights when finished.

The Secretary was directed to notify the Heirs of Thomas B. Williams that the Board has heard that trees are being cut on the lands intended to be taken for the Parkway from Arnold Arboretum to Muddy Pond Woods, and request that the owners desist from further cutting pending arrangements for taking said lands.

A hearing was held at three P.M. on the complaint of James S. Kaulback against officer William C. Nugent for assault. The testimony of Mr. Kaulback, Dr. Charles H. Lanman, Mrs. Walter Fortchkias, Mrs. Neff, Mr. John H. Collins and officers Wm. D. Joy and Wm. C. Nugent was taken as appears by a report of the hearing on file, and the matter was taken under advisement, subsequently it was

Voted, to suspend officer William C. Nugent for thirty days for losing his temper and acting in a manner unbecoming an officer.

The matter of filling the vacancy was left to the Chairman.

Adjourned to August 8th. at 10.15 A.M.

Geo. F. Clarke, Sec'y.

Boston, August 8, 1894.

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 10.15 A.M. Present Messrs Sprague and Andrews Mr. Walker being absent from the City. Also present Messrs William Jackson and E. W. Howe.

The Secretary reported that the agreement with Messrs Olmsted, Olmsted & Eliot had expired, and the matter was laid over until the next meeting.

The following was received together with a Communication from F. L. Olmsted relating to the proposed visit of the City Council to view the park system, and the matter was laid on the table until the Common Council convenes in September:

"City of Boston. In Board of Aldermen,
"July 30, 1894.

"Ordered, that the Park Commissioners be requested
"to make arrangements for a visit of the City Council
"to inspect the various parks which comprise the
"park system.
"Passed in Common Council July 19. Came up
"Concurred. Concurred. A true copy.
"Attest: J. M. Galvin, City Clerk."

At the suggestion of John E. Cassidy that an offer be made to Daniel R. Sortwell for the takings of Coney's and Ripley's wharves, and on statement of the Secretary that Mr. Babson says that one third over the valuation is a fair offer for the Board to make, it was

Voted, that the Secretary notify Mr. Sortwell that the Board will settle the matter by the payment of eighty eight thousand, five hundred dollars should he decide to accept such a compromise.

A request of John F. Brooks and others abutters on Commonwealth avenue, that the plat between Charlesgate West and Beacon street be sowed to grass, was received and placed on file.

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and the Chairman was requested to correspond with the Superintendent of Streets with regard to replacing the loam removed by him.

The opinion of the Corporation Counsel with reference to the proposition of P. F. McDonald, that the Board leave out to arbitration his claim for damages for land taken for Franklin Field, was received, and the Secretary was directed to notify Mr. McDonald that the Board regrets that it cannot agree to his suggestion.

A report was received from Sergeant Murphy recommending that full pay be allowed Officer Daniel F. Shea during absence caused by injuries received by unusual exertion while on duty, and it was

Voted, that full pay be granted to Daniel F. Shea as recommended by Sergeant Murphy.

A communication from George R. King regarding his assignment of the order for photographs of the park system to W. A. Partridge was received and placed on file, and it was

Voted, to approve the assignment with the understanding that the work is to be done by Mr. King.

A request of L. L. Cohn for permission to operate a Medical Battery at Main and Medford streets, Charlestown, was received and the request declined.

A communication from Hon. Benjamin Dean inclosing a copy of his correspondence with the Mayor with reference to the beneficial effect of the early construction of the Strandway, was received and placed on file.

A communication from Charles F. Paxton regarding the discontinuance of Jackson avenue at the North End Park, was received and referred to the Corporation Counsel for his opinion as to the feasibility of closing Jackson avenue as a public way.

A report of Sergeant Keith regarding complaint against Mr. Borden was received and placed on file.

Communications from C. H. Birney in reference to

H. V. Partelow's allegation reflecting upon his character as manager of the Park Boating Company, and requesting that a franchise of a similar nature as that of the Park Boating Company be given to him, also communications from J. W. Dolliver requesting leave to operate boats at Marine Park and making application for the entire park boating franchise, were received and placed on file.

A communication from O. H. Barney regarding the progress and present situation of the Park Boating Company, and a communication from the Landscape Architects, inclosing copy of letter from the General Manager of the Park Boating Company containing a proposition for extension of time and asking permission to put into service the boats already on hand, recommending that the proposition be accepted, were taken from the table and placed on file.

A report was received from the Landscape Architects recommending that the Park Boating Company be notified that the arrangement made with it will terminate in thirty days, and the following action was taken:

Whereas, in accordance with the terms of the contract made by the Board with Headly V. Partelow and C. Henry Barney, requiring one month's written notice of the intention of the Board to terminate said contract, and because of the failure of said Partelow and Barney to make the boat service called for under said contract satisfactory, after due notice that said service was not satisfactory, it is

Voted, that the Secretary notify said parties of the intention of the Board to terminate said contract in thirty days from this date.

In accordance with the terms of the vote of this Board of July 2d. permitting the Park Boating Company to place two swan boats on Leverett Pond it was

Voted, that the Secretary notify said Company to remove the same.

A proposal to do the extra work needed for heating

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the lockers at the Field House, Wood Island Park, submitted by Sturgis & Cabot with orders to the contractors to do said work were received, and it was

Voted, that the Chairman approve the orders.

A communication was received from the President of the Hartford Connecticut Park Commission, suggesting the formation of a National Park Association, and the Secretary was directed to reply that the Board will enter into hearty co-operation with the plan.

The Superintendent of Lamps submitted a plan for electric lights for Commonwealth avenue, which was approved and it was

Voted, that the Superintendent of Lamps be requested to take charge of the laying of an electric cable and of erecting the lamp posts required in Commonwealth avenue, the expence of doing said work to be paid by this Department.

A copy of recent amendments to the Civil Service Rules was received and placed on file.

The petition of Charles Merriam and others against asphalting Commonwealth avenue and a communication from Oliver Ames favoring asphalt pavement were taken from the table and placed on file, together with a communication from Amory A. Lawrence remonstrating against paving the avenue with asphalt.

A report of the Engineer in Charge regarding the number of men at work by the day furnished by Contractors, was received and placed on file.

A communication from the City Architect estimating the cost of a boat house for Jamaica Park at eleven thousand dollars, was received and placed on file.

Voted, that the matter of laying a electric cable and of erecting the lamp posts required for electric lights at Charlestown Heights be referred to the Engineer in Charge to confer with the Superintendent of Lamps with regard to his taking charge of said work, the expense thereof to be paid by this Department.

Voted, that Sergeant W. A. Dennis be appointed

Lieutenant in Charge of the Park Police, to have supervision of the several divisions and the outlying parks, at an increase of pay of twenty-five cents per day and to report within one week upon the condition and wants of the service.

Voted, that Officer Dudley E. Thornton be promoted to a sergeancy to fill the vacancy caused by the promotion of Sergeant W. A. Dennis.

Voted, that Sergeant D. E. Thornton have Charge of Franklin Park, Franklin Field, Arnold Arboretum, Arborway and Jamaica Park

Voted, that Sergeant W. D. Murphy have Charge of Leverett Park, The Riverway, The Fens, and Commonwealth avenue,

Voted, that Sergeant Charles E. Keith have Charge of Dorchesterway, Strandway and Marine Park.

Voted, that the Sergeants of the several divisions report to the Lieutenant of Police.

Voted, to allow John Shannon half pay for time lost by injury to his eye from stone cutting at Leverett Park.

Voted, that the gang of Street Department men employed on Leverett Park be returned as soon as the Engineer in Charge can dispense with it.

Voted, that the City Auditor be authorized to transfer the sum of eighty-four hundred and ninety eight $\frac{40}{100}$ dollars from the appropriation for Public Parks to that for Incidental Expenses City Council, to cover the cost of expert services and other expenses in the trial of park cases.

Voted, that the following Ordinances, be adopted for the use and government of Commonwealth avenue:

Ordinances.

The Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Boston, by virtue of its authority to make rules for the use and government of streets selected and taken under Chapter 300 of the Acts of 1893, and

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for breaches of such rules to affix penalties, hereby ordains that within Commonwealth avenue from Arlington street to Beacon street, except with the prior consent of the Board, it is forbidden:

1. To cut, break, injure, deface, defile or ill use any monument, tree, bush, plant or turf, or any other thing or property of said city.
2. To walk on the turf: to throw stones or other missiles; to distribute circulars, or deposit or scatter any paper or other refuse material; to play ball or other games or sports: to sell, offer or expose for sale, any goods or wares; to post or display signs, placards, flags, or advertising devices: to make orations, harangues or loud outcries.
3. To drive any wagon, cart, dray, truck or other vehicle for carrying merchandise or other articles at the front entrances of houses on said avenue.
4. To drive or ride a horse or horses at a rate faster than eight miles an hour.
5. To ride a cycle at a rate faster than eight miles an hour or without a suitable alarm bell attached.
6. To refuse to obey the orders or requests of the Commissioners, or of the Park Police, or other agents of the Commissioners, and to refuse to assist them when required.

Any person wilfully doing either of the things above forbidden shall be punished by a fine not exceeding twenty dollars.

The proposition of R. M. Morse that the City pay one half the cost of building a wall along the cut on the estate of Ann M. Spaulding was taken from the table and agreed to, provided that the Landscape Architects report that the construction of the wall would be such an improvement of the Parkway as to justify the City in paying one half the cost.

Sergeant Murphy's report of the need of an additional officer at Sevorett Park, also that additional police service will soon be required at Wood Island and

Charlestown parks, was taken from the table and referred to Lieutenant Dennis to consider in connection with his proposed report.

Voted, that the Purchasing Agent forward to the City Collector for collection, bills for rent of estates recently occupied by R.M. Morse and N. P. Prescott at the rate of twenty five hundred and five hundred dollars respectively unless previously paid.

Whereas estates belonging to the following named parties have been assessed for benefit derived from the locating and laying out of a public park or parks in that part of the City of Boston called West Roxbury and in that part of the City of Boston called Dorchester as authorized and enacted by certain acts of the Board passed April 29. 1892 and December 24. 1892. and whereas said parties have severally given notice to this Board, in conformity to the statute in such case provided of their desire to have the assessments which have been levied upon their estates apportioned. It is therefore hereby

Voted, that the assessments made by this Board upon the following estates be and the same hereby are apportioned into three equal parts, one of said equal parts with interest thereon from the thirtieth day after assessment to be added to the annual taxes of the respective estates for the three years next ensuing, and that this apportionment be certified to the assessors, namely:

Owners & Location.	Amount assessed.	1st. part to taxes for 1895 with interest from May 28. 94. to Nov. 1. 1895. 1 yr. 5 mos.	2d. part to taxes for 1896 with interest from May 28. 94. to Nov. 1. 1896 2 yrs. 5 mos.	3d. part to taxes for 1897 with interest from May 28. 94. to Nov. 1. 1897. 3 yrs. 5 mos.
Jamaica Plain & A. Arboretum.				
No. 8. Helene P. Schmidt wife of Arthur P. Pond Street.	600.00	200.00	200.00	200.00
		17.00	29.00	41.00
		217.00	229.00	241.00
No. 15 Heirs of Wm. D. Tickner.	697.00	232.34	232.33	232.33
Burroughs street.		19.75	33.69	47.63
		252.09	266.02	279.96

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No. 16. Benj. H. Tickner.				
Trustee. Burroughs street.	243.00	81.00	81.00	81.00
		6.88	11.75	16.61
		87.88	92.75	97.61
No. 50. Patrick J. & Ellen M.				
Readon.	114.00	38.00	38.00	38.00
		3.23	5.51	7.79
		41.23	43.51	45.79
No. 55. Michael Goodwin				
South street.	86.00	28.67	28.67	28.66
		2.44	4.16	5.88
		31.11	32.83	34.54
Dorchester.				
No. 32. Dennis Driscoll.				
E. side Puttonwood street.	52.00	17.33	17.33	17.34
		1.47	2.51	3.55
		18.80	19.84	20.89
No. 34. Mary E. Allman.				
Wife of Redmon. E. side Puttonwood street.	25.00	8.33	8.33	8.34
		71	1.21	1.71
		9.04	9.54	10.05
No. 88½ Mary E. Mitchell. Wife of				
John. E. side Puttonwood St.	70.00	23.33	23.33	23.34
		1.98	3.38	4.78
		25.31	26.71	28.12

The schedule of appropriations, adopted March 12, 1894 was further amended as follows:

Voted, that one thousand dollars of the amount appropriated for old Contracts be transferred to the Back Bay Fens and the balance to sundry items.

Voted, that twenty five hundred dollars be transferred from the appropriation for Franklin Park to that for the Back Bay Fens

Voted, that fifty thousand dollars be transferred from the appropriation for the Muddy Pond or West Roxbury Parkway and twenty five thousand dollars from the appropriation for Franklin Park to constitute a new appropriation for Commonwealth avenue.

Voted, that one hundred and six thousand eight hundred and fifty three $\frac{72}{100}$ dollars be transferred from Balances unappropriated, to cover the deficiency in the amount appropriated for Land Damages.

Geo. F. Clarke, Sec'y

Boston, August 27, 1894.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2. P. M.

Present Messrs Sprague and Andrew, Mr. Walker being absent from the city. Also present Messrs Jackson, Howe and F. L. Olmsted.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

At the suggestion of the Chairman that Hamilton and O'Mahoney's work of building retaining walls at Jamaica and Leverett Parks was not progressing rapidly enough to insure its completion within a reasonable time, it was

Voted, that the Chairman notify them that unless gangs are put on each of the three walls immediately and the work is carried forward with energy, the Board will feel obliged to take away the contract and have it completed by other contractors.

It was also

Voted, that the Secretary write to Messrs J. D. Fallon & Co, that the Board is much displeased at the slow progress of the work of building the Leverett Park bridge, which is very much behind time, and to say that if they wish to receive consideration at the hands of the Board in the matter of future contracts it will be necessary to give the matter immediate attention and hasten the work to completion.

A communication was received from Edward Thompson suggesting that public convenience requires the West End cars to make a stop at Fremont Entrance, and it was

Voted, that the West End Street Railway Company be requested to paint their poles for a stopping place at the Fremont Entrance of the Back Bay Fens for the convenience of persons desiring to take or leave the cars at said entrance.

Mr. Olmsted submitted a sketch plan for foot-

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bridge on the Perkins estate Jamaica Park, dated June 19. 1894 which was approved and it was

Voted, that the City Architect be requested to submit a design for the proposed bridge to span the cove at Pine Bank in accordance with the plans of the Landscape Architects.

Plans for the Forest Hills Entrance to Franklin Park dated August 22. 1894 were submitted by Mr. Olmsted, & it was

Voted, that the plans be adopted.

A report from the Landscape Architects on the plans for completing the laying out of the Pine Bank and Prince street sections of Jamaica Park, with the first named plan, was presented by Mr. Olmsted, and it was

Voted, that the plan for completing the Pine Bank section of Jamaica Park, dated August 10, 1894, submitted by the Landscape Architects be adopted.

Revised plans for altering the Pine Bank building for Refectory purposes were received and referred to the Landscape Architects to confer with the City Architect.

Reports of the Engineer in Charge on the question of the location of patrol and fire alarm boxes in connection with the public parks, also regarding notice from the Board of Health of the condition of the public dumps on Ninth street between H. and I. streets, were received and placed on file, and it was

Voted, that the Secretary be instructed to request the Board of Police to locate patrol boxes in certain parks of the Park system following the suggestion of the Engineer in Charge, also to request the Fire Department to place fire alarm boxes at Franklin Park and Wood Island Park as recommended by the Engineer in Charge.

Voted, that the Secretary arrange for a telephone at the police quarters in the Overlook Building at Franklin Park.

Voted, that the City Treasurer be requested to pay to Katie Kinney, daughter of Timothy Sullivan 2nd. deceased, the amount due him

on the pay rolls of this Department.

Mr. Howe was requested to report at the next meeting what additional appropriation is required for Dorchesterway.

A communication from Rosenbaum Brothers regarding the laying of a granolithic sidewalk in front of the houses being built by them on the Fenway, and requesting the removal of a tree; also report of the Engineer in Charge on the latter request, were received and the Secretary was directed to reply that the Board considers it inexpedient to grant the requests.

A report of Lieutenant Dennis on the condition and wants of the police service was received and consideration deferred until the next meeting.

A communication from the Mayor in regard to the proposed addition to Arnold Arboretum, and the macadamizing of Commonwealth Avenue was received and placed on file.

An opinion of the Corporation Counsel in regard to enforcing park ordinances on Beaver street was received and placed on file, the Engineer in Charge being requested to see if the practice of driving cows through the street cannot be stopped.

A communication from A. F. Sortwell declining the offer of the Board in the matter of damages for the taking of Comey's and Ripley's wharves was received and placed on file.

Voted, that the Secretary arrange with the Boston Electric Light Company to lay an underground cable and erect four lamp posts at Marine Park on the terms of its present contract with this Department for electric lights on the parkway.

Voted, that notice be given to tenants to vacate and remove their buildings on the Strandway not later than November 1st; also that buildings belonging to the department be sold at auction.

A communication from Sturgis & Cabot regarding the completion of the Field House, Wood Island Park,

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was received and placed on file.

Communications from the Superintendent of Streets requesting the payment of bills for removing paving blocks from Commonwealth avenue; and regarding an allowance for the value of the same also with reference to cracked stone and filling removed from the avenue, were received and the Chairman was authorized to approve the bills, and reply to the second letter denying the right of the Street Department to the material taken from the avenue.

The application of C. R. Cutter Deputy Superintendent of Paving Division of the Street Department, for permission to land gravel on the wharf at the Back Bay Fens, was received. Mr. Howe stated that, in his opinion, the wharf is not safe, but if the Paving Department wants to use it under these circumstances there is no objection, and it was

Voted, that leave be granted under said conditions.

A communication from R. A. Searitt, offering rock maples for sale, was received and referred to the Landscape Architects.

A proposition of James H. Dolliver & Co. to furnish a complete boating service under an agreement for the exclusive right for five years, also application of Charles H. Nichols for the exclusive privilege of keeping boats for hire on Jamaica Pond, and request of Robert C. Higgin for specifications of boating service were received and laid on the table pending a report from the Landscape Architects.

A request of L. P. Soule & Son for leave to attach guy ropes to trees on Commonwealth avenue or to erect guy posts was received, and it was

Voted, that L. P. Soule & Son be granted permission to erect two guy posts in Commonwealth avenue, at locations to be designated by the Engineer in Charge, and to attach guy-ropes thereto for use in the construction of a building at the corner of Commonwealth avenue and Berkeley Street, and

that the Secretary issue a permit therefor upon their giving a bond in the usual form.

Communications from the Mayor, Street Department, and sundry other communications relating to Commonwealth avenue; also proposals from T. Gow & Co. and Barber Asphalt Co. were taken from the table and placed on file.

Voted, that the vote of this Board of July 9, 1894 providing for the resurfacing of the roadways of Commonwealth avenue from Arlington street to Massachusetts avenue, with an asphalt pavement at an estimated cost of one hundred and fifty six thousand dollars be rescinded.

A communication was received from the Boston Building Material Company, submitting the names of Timothy Shea and his wife Ellen Shea of Milton, as sureties on the contract of the New Jersey Terra Cotta Co. for furnishing the terra cotta for the refectory building at Franklin Park. The Secretary reported the financial standing of the parties so far as he had been able to ascertain it, also that Mr. Shea had offered the name of Willard G. Nash as one of the bondsmen. It was thereupon

Voted, that the names of Willard G. Nash and Ellen Shea be accepted.

Mr. Howe stated that Mr. Hannon had applied to him for leave to deposit material on the Strandway from a new bank on fifth street, and the Engineer in Charge was directed to notify him that the Board did not wish to extend the work beyond its present limits.

Voted, that the Secretary arrange with the Boston Yacht Club for the removal of its club house to the new site on the Strandway.

The Chairman submitted Mr. Babson's letter recommending the settlement of the Mc Donald case for land taken for Franklin Field at thirty thousand dollars and the matter was laid over.

August 27. 1894. A Communication was received from Lieut. Dennis regarding the taking away of water from springs at Franklin Park and recommending that the practice be restricted during the summer season to the hours between 7 P.M. and 9 A.M. and it was

Voted, that the taking of water be regulated as suggested by Lieut Dennis and that he be authorized to issue permits for said purpose.

Geo. F. Clarke.
Sec'y.

Boston, September 5, 1894.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P.M.

Present Messrs Sprague and Andrew. Mr. Walker being absent from the city. Also present Messrs Jackson, Howe, F. L. Olmsted and Charles Eliot.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved

Voted, that the late engagement of the Department with Messrs Olmsted, Olmsted, & Eliot as Landscape Architects Advisory be continued for three years from April 1st 1894, upon their acceptance of the same in writing.

Mr. Howe reported that additional steps are needed on the west side of Chestnut street and at the entrance to Pine Bank from Chestnut street, and it was

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to purchase the steps required from the Cape Ann Granite Co. at the same price that it has lately furnished steps for Leverett Park.

Mr. Howe submitted a proposition from James Killian to furnish material and build parapet walls on the retaining wall on Perkins street, for the sum of twelve dollars per cu. yd. also to furnish and set a two foot wide coping of Quincy granite for two dollars and thirty cents per linear foot, also to furnish, set and dowel one foot six inch wide coping on retaining

wall for two dollars and thirty cents per linear foot, also to furnish and set post caps for twenty five dollars, to be completed five weeks after starting the work, and it was

Voted, that the proposition be accepted subject to the approval of the Mayor, and that the Chairman ask his consent to the proposed arrangement.

A statement showing a deficiency in the appropriations for Riverway and Leverett Park and Dorchesterway being submitted by the Secretary, it was

Voted, that five thousand dollars of the amount appropriated for Jamaica Park be transferred to the Riverway and Leverett Park, also that eleven thousand dollars be transferred from Franklin Park to Dorchesterway.

A communication was received from the Superintendent of Streets relating to the drainage of Dorchesterway, and was referred to the Chairman for reply.

A Communication from the Street Commissioners relating to the purchase from the Water Power Company, of a way for street cars west of the Back Bay Fens and a plan of the land proposed to be acquired were received and laid on the table.

A communication from Theresa May requesting that the work decided to be done by the Department on her land be attended to at once, was received and the Engineer in Charge was directed to proceed with the work.

A request of Fred P. Cook for permission to store his merry-go-round in the building used for a boiler house at Franklin Park, was received and the request declined.

The request of Dwight B. Braman for entrance to land from Westland Entrance which was referred to the Landscape Architects for recommendations, was taken from the table and placed on file.

Mr. Olmsted submitted a plan for laying out the Westland Entrance of the Fens designed to

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provide a walk to afford frontage to the abutting lands as petitioned for by Dwight Braman, which was placed on file, and the Secretary was directed to notify Mr. Braman that the Board would consider the matter further when he is ready to submit plans of the building for which a frontage is desired.

The report of the Landscape Architects upon the improvement of Commonwealth avenue was taken from the table and placed first in the order of business for the next meeting.

The Landscape Architects submitted grading plans for the upper part of the North End Park, also drawings containing their suggestion concerning the grading below low water mark of the shore adjacent to the Strandway by dredging. The plans were adopted and referred to the City Engineer for final plans and specifications preliminary to letting out the work by Contract.

Mr. G. D. Pettee for the Heirs of Jeremiah Brown, came before the Board to see if terms of settlement for their estate taken for the Strandway other than those already offered and declined on both sides, could be agreed upon. The Commissioners offered to allow twenty eight hundred dollars for the land taken including the whole of the house, the rents to be offset against interest, and the remaining land to be restricted in the usual way.

The Chairman submitted a communication which he had received from the Corporation Counsel recommending a settlement with P. F. Mc. Donald for his land taken for Franklin Field, for thirty thousand dollars and the matter was laid over for further consideration when Mr. Pabson returns.

The plans for enlarging the building at the Men's gymnasium were considered and the Secretary was directed to confer with the City Architect as to securing new bids for doing said work.

Mr. Howe submitted a report upon the amount and value of paving blocks, gravel and crushed stone removed from Commonwealth avenue by the Street Depart-

ment, which was read and placed on file.

The report of Lieutenant Dennis on the condition and needs of the park police service, received at the last meeting, also supplementary reports of August 20, and September 5, were considered and it was

Voted, that Jamaica Park, Arboreway, Arnold Arboretum, and the West Roxbury Parkway when taken, be set apart as a new police district to be in charge of a Sergeant.

Voted, that the police districts as now established, be numbered consecutively from the Back Bay Fens to Marine Park.

Voted, that Park Police Officer Charles A. Gilman be promoted to a sergeancy subject to the requirements of the Civil Service rules regarding examination, and be given charge of the new district numbered two.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston, September 11, 1894.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2. P. M.

Present Messrs Sprague and Andrew, Mr. Walker being absent from the City. Also present Messrs E. W. Howe, F. L. Olmsted and Philip Codman.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

Application was made to the War Department for approval of plans for filling at the North End Park.

The report of the Landscape Architects upon the improvement of Commonwealth avenue was considered and placed on file.

Mr. Olmsted submitted a preliminary plan for laying out the west side of Jamaica Park, also plan of same embodying certain suggestions of Prof. Sargent dated September 10. 1894. which were laid on the table for consideration upon Professor Sargent's return

Sept. 11. to the City. Mr. Howe submitted plans of fence and framework for gymnastic apparatus at Wood Island Park, and it was

Voted, that bids be advertised for to be received September twenty fourth.

The recommendation of the City Solicitor (reference to the Street Commissioners) in the matter of the proposed discontinuance of Jackson avenue at the North End Park, was received and referred to the Street Commissioners with a request that they inquire into its feasibility and report an estimate of damages.

A report of W. L. Fischer relating to the condition of the old elm tree near Centre and May streets and other trees near Orchard street, was received and the matter was referred to the Engineer in Charge to consult with the Landscape Architects and take what action may be necessary.

A communication was received from the Superintendent of Public Buildings requesting permission to erect two voting booths on Commonwealth avenue and it was

Voted, that the request be granted.

A notice of a hearing to be given by the Board of Railroad Commissioners, relating to the construction of a bridge over the Old Colony Railroad on Dorchesterway, was received and referred to the City Engineer to represent the Board at the hearing.

A communication from Bartlett and Richardson giving estimates of the cost of substituting terra cotta for wood in the Refectory building, and submitting the propositions of John J. Flynne and the New Jersey Terra Cotta Company in relation thereto, was received and it was

Voted. that the propositions be accepted as recommend by the Architects subject to the approval of the Mayor.

A request of Gilman J. Raymond for a permit to keep a stand at Jamaica Pond during the skating season, for the purpose of selling, telling and sharpen-

ing skates was received and it was

Voted, that permission be granted for next season under the supervision of the Park Police.

A petition of the South Boston and other Yacht Clubs for a hearing on Monday, September 17th on their application for permission to haul up boats during the winter season was received, and Monday next at three P.M. was fixed as the time for said hearing.

The communication from Robert M. Morse recommending settlements in cases of Hall and O'Donnell, was taken from the table and placed on file.

Plans for the alteration of the Pine Bank House were submitted by the City Architect and refered back to him to prepare working drawings and specifications and advertise for bids.

James H. Powers, Commodore of the Mosquito Fleet Yacht Club, with ex-Alderman Flood, came before the Board with reference to the club being given a location on the Strandway near K street, as the anchorage at the point near Q street is over-crowded and not so secure for small boats as their present location. The matter was refered to the Landscape Architects to consider the feasibility of providing sites for boat clubs at Powwow Point, in addition to those already planned on the Strandway.

Mr. John L. Nichols, President of the Fiske Wharf and Warehouse Company, came before the Board to confer in regard to the taking of their right of way and to request that the Board award damages therefor. The Chairman stated that they could not award damages and referred Mr. Nichols to the Law Department.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y

Boston September 17, 1894.

A meeting of the Board called for 2 P.M. was adjourned by Mr. Sprague for want of a quoram.

Messrs Walker and Andrew being out of the city:

The Chairman gave a hearing, however on the petition of certain Yacht Clubs that arrangements be made for the hauling of boats on the Strandway.

W. A. S. Chrimes, Chairman Commonwealth Yacht Club and Chairman of Committee which had petitioned the Board for a hearing, stated that the desire of the Yacht clubs was that a place might be left open so that boats can be hauled up at S. Bost. Boston this season as formerly. They do not object to going elsewhere but the boat builders are not prepared to receive them.

James Perham asked that certain yards might be left open for hauling boats this year.

Frank Ferdinand, Commodore of the South Boston Yacht Club, said that if places are left so that boats could be hauled up this winter it would be a great convenience to the Yachtsmen as the only other yards available are Lawley's and Smith's on the north side of the Point and these could not accommodate all the boats.

W. K. Prior & Co. stated that if they could use their yard to haul up boats this winter they could obtain a new location next year. They further said that it could take three months to locate elsewhere and get a new yard ready for business.

Mr. McKee of the South Boston Yacht Club, said that he came to protest against driving out the industries of the Point and preventing the Yacht clubs from storing their boats. Working people have only their evenings for fixing up their boats, and cannot afford to go to Quincy and out of town yards. The clubs also need accommodation for their rafts which require to be hauled up on the beach. He thought the Board should provide a permanent place for hauling boats.

Mr. Thomas Hills asked whether the Board could not allow Mr. Borden to occupy land to be filled in at K

street or so much of the Point as would not require to be filled this winter, also whether some arrangement cannot be made to keep his cabin a permanent feature of the Strandway, and allow him to maintain a landing as he does now where he may continue to care for a class that the boat clubs cannot care for, particularly young ladies and families who keep sail and row boats. Mr. Hills said the hauling of boats was no disadvantage, but a beautiful winter picture and the getting them off and on shore would be a desirable feature of the Parkway.

The City Point Rowing Association represented by Robert Sutherland of the Boston Journal, asked that the Board permit their boat house to remain in its present location for the winter.

G. L. Braman and Mr. Storer for the Boston Water Power Company, came to ask the Board to take action on their proposition, made to the Board of Street Commissioners, for the sale of lands to the City for the proposed electric car route through the Back Bay Fens. They stated that they had applied to the Board last autumn for a location on Boylston street and had been assured that the plans of the Board contemplated such a route either through Boylston Road or under Charlesgate West, and that they might so state in their application to the West End Railroad for such an extension of its road.

Since that time the Company had filled the land at a cost of some forty thousand dollars, and the extension of Boylston street only awaited the approval of the Mayor which they understood he was ready to give when they had agreed on terms for the railroad location satisfactory to the Park Commissioners.

The Chairman stated that the Board would confer with the Mayor on the matter upon his return.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston September 24. 1894

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2. P.M.

Present Messrs Sprague, Walker and Andrews, also present Messrs E. W. Howe, William Jackson, F. L. Olmsted and Philip Codman.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to purchase crushed stone for the Arborway at one dollar and ninety cents per cu. yd; also screenings for the Bay Bay Fens at two dollars and twenty five cents per cu. yd.

An opinion of the City Solicitor relating to pay for veterans pending a hearing on final discharge was received and placed on file.

A reply of the Fire Commissioners to the request for fire alarm boxes at Wood Island and Franklin Parks was received and placed on file.

A notice from the Civil Service Commissioners, relating to examinations of W. A. Dennis, D. C. Thornton and C. A. Gilman, and certifying said names for promotion, was received and placed on file.

The request of the Superintendent of the Farm School Thompson's Island, for permission to use the landing at Marine Park, in case of storm or other emergency, was referred to the Engineer in Charge with authority to permit such use of the landing as will not interfere with its use by the department.

On the request of the Massasoit Association for temporary accommodations on the Strandway until next spring, so that they can dispose of their building or secure a new location, it was

Voted, to grant the temporary accommodations asked for on the filled land in the vicinity of their present location, until next spring.

On the request of the Boston Yacht Club for approval of plans for location of club house on the new site and for certain improvements to make said site convenient

for use, the Secretary was directed to reply that its request involves other things than are necessary to the removal of its buildings to the new site, and should be modified in that respect, also that the Board does not contemplate changing the grade of the wharf but will repair the wall and fill in the holes.

On the request of the Puritan Canoe Club that a site on the Strandway be assigned for its use, the Secretary was directed to ascertain whether the Club cannot arrange with the Boston Yacht Club to occupy a part of its new location.

On the petition of the South Boston Yacht Club that permission to haul up boats during the coming winter season be granted, it was

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge make arrangements for the hauling of boats this winter by C. A. Borden, W. K. Pryor & Co. and W. P. Smith in connection with the work of filling the Strandway.

A communication from Mrs. G. B. Pattee declining the Boards offer of twenty eight hundred dollars for land and building on the Strandway and asking three thousand dollars was received and it was

Voted, that the proposition be accepted provided the whole of the building is included and the remaining land is restricted in the usual way.

On the request of the Roxbury Wheelmen to lay the route of proposed road race through Franklin Park, it was

Voted, that while the Board cannot allow racing as a feature of the run through Franklin Park, October 11th or the following Saturday, by the proposed passage twice around the Playstead, it will permit the run through the park at bicycle road racing speed, by the most direct route to Morton Street.

Voted, that the work now being done by contractors'

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and Street Department men be taken up by the regular force of this Department as soon as the circumstances of the work will warant the transfer and discharge of the men.

Voted, that there be purchased of Theophilus King, Trustee, and Henry B. Goodenough a parcel of land on Western Avenue in that part of the City of Boston which was formerly Brighton, containing four hundred and eighteen thousand three hundred and twenty square feet more or less, and shown on a plan of the same, made by D. W. Hoyde, C.E. dated July 18. 1894, and on file in the office of this Board, and that there be paid to the said Theophilus King, Trustee and Henry B. Goodenough the sum of fourteen thousand dollars upon their proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same satisfactory to the City Solicitor, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playstead, North Brighton.

Voted, that there be purchased of Henry B. Goodenough a parcel of land on Western avenue in that part of the City of Boston which was formerly Brighton, containing two hundred and thirteen thousand three hundred and sixty nine square feet, more or less, and shown on a plan of the same, made by D. W. Hoyde, C.E, dated July 18, 1894, and on file in the office of this Board, and that there be paid to the said Henry B. Goodenough the sum of seven thousand dollars upon his proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same satisfactory to the City Solicitor, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment, said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playstead, North Brighton.

The following bids for erecting an iron fence and frame for gymnastic apparatus at Wood Island Park were

received, read and taken under advisement:

N. A. Snow & Co.	Boston. (Fence)	2.589.00
Van Dorn Iron Works Co.	Cambridgeport	
	Fence 2.033, Iron frame work 800	2.833.00
O'Connor & White	(Both)	3.600.00
James Flynn	"	4.000.00
Edward Preble,	"	4.450.00

The City Engineer submitted a plan for the park-way from Arnold Arboretum to Field Street.

Mr. Dabson conferred with the Board in reference to the proposed settlement with P. F. Mc. Donald for land taken for Franklin Field, and the matter was refered to the Chairman to confer with the Mayor.

Geo. F. Clarke.
Secy.

Boston, October 1, 1894.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2. P. M.

Present Messrs Sprague and Andrew all having been duly notified. Also present Messrs Eliot and Howe.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

On recommendation of Lieut. Dennis it was

Voted, that Castle Island be closed at night and the electric lights be discontinued.

A report was received from the City Conveyancer on the question of the line between the North End Park and Ficke's wharf, and it was

Voted, that the Corporation Counsel be requested to make such recommendations as he thinks proper Concerning the claim of the Ficke Wharf & Warehouse Company for damages from the taking of its right of way.

A request of David R. Dewey, Chairman of the Board to Investigate the Subject of the Unemployed for appointment with the Board or one of the Commissioners

October 1. on Friday or Saturday, was received and the Chairman and Engineer in Charge were appointed to confer with Mr. Dewey.

The request of Brigadier General Casey, Chief of Engineers, for detailed plans of proposed extensions and excavations for the North End Park was referred to the Landscape Architects to prepare the plans desired.

The following were received and referred to the Chairman for reply together with two orders of reference by the City Council to the Park Commissioners regarding the building of a gymnasium at Charlestown Play ground; and for providing seats on the bridge connecting Wood Island Park with Maverick street.

"City of Boston, In Common Council
" September 20. 1894.

" Ordered, that the Board of Park Commissioners be
" requested to report to the City Council how soon they
" will be ready to have plans prepared and to commence
" work on the Charles River Embankment, between West
" Boston Bridge and the house of the Union Boat
" Club. Passed. Sent up for concurred. In Board of
" Aldermen. September 24. concurred. a true copy,
" Attest John T. Priest. Asst. City Clerk."

" City of Boston, In Board of Aldermen
" September 24. 1894.

" Ordered, that the Board of Park Commissioners
" be requested to report to this Board at its next
" meeting as to the feasibility of extending the present park-
" way from the junction of Boston and Cottage streets,
" through Boston and Columbia streets to Franklin Park
" Passed. A true copy. Attest: John T. Priest
" Asst. City Clerk."

The following was received and placed on file:

"City of Boston, In Board of Aldermen,
" September, 10. 1894.

" The Committee on Claims, to whom was referred
" the petition of Loretta L. Ricker for compensation for
" damage to her property 46 Bellevue street, caused

" by the laying out of the Muddy River Improvement,
" having considered the subject respectfully recom-
" mend reference to the Board of Park Commissioners.
" For the Committee, John H. Lee, Chairman.
" Accepted and referred accordingly, Sent down for
" concurrence. September 20. Came up concurred.
" A true copy. Attest: John T. Priest, Asst. City Clerk".

A communication from the Superintendent of streets regarding compensation for material removed from Commonwealth avenue was received and refered to the Chairman to arrange the matter of the payment of said compensation with Mr. Carter.

A communication from Robert M. Morse accepting the Commissioners' offer of two hundred and fifty dollars towards cost of wall upon the Spaulding estate was received and placed on file, and the Secretary was directed to issue a permit for its construction.

Voted, that the City Solicitor be authorized to accept the deeds from H. B. Goodenough et. al. for land purchased for the Playground at North Brighton subject to the taxes for 1894.

Mr. John E. Cassidy came before the Board in reference to D. R. Sortwell's claim for damages for the taking of Comey's and Ripley's wharves for the North End Park. Mr. Cassidy said he thought the matter could be settled for one hundred thousand dollars and interest and he would advise Mr. Sortwell to do this rather than go to the expense of a trial.

The Board agreed to consider the matter further.

General A. P. Martin with Chairman Dove of the Street Commissioners came before the Board to confer in regard to a proposition of Genl. Martin's that the proposed extension of Columbus avenue End at Washington Street, between Walnut Park and Beaver Street, and that the Park Commissions take for park purposes the block of land bounded by Washington and Beaver streets, Walnut avenue

October 1. and Walnut Park to give opportunity for an imposing entrance to Franklin Park which might be decorated with an arch and provide a suitable place for Statuary. Mr. Martin said he thought that the cost of Extending Columbus avenue through Beaver street to Walnut avenue as proposed by the Street Commissioners would go a long way towards paying for the whole block, but that in any event the extra Cost should not be considered as against the advantages which would be gained.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston, October 8. 1894.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at one P. M.
Present Messrs Sprague, Walker and Andrew. Also present Messrs Jackson, Howe and F.L. & J.C. Olmsted.
The records of the last meeting were read and approved.
Voted, that the request of Brig. Gen'l Bridges that some of the infantry be permitted to use the roads of the Back Bay Fens, on the occasion of the Mobilization of the militia, October 9th be granted and that the Brig. Gen'l Commanding is respectfully requested to give such orders as will secure the plantations from injury.

Mr. Andrew called the attention of the Board to a communication received by him from Mr. J.A. Wigginson, asking if the annoyance caused by the flooding of the walks at the end of the blocks on Commonwealth avenue cannot be remedied. At Mr. Andrew's suggestion the Landscape Architects' plan for a curb to remedy the trouble was referred to the City Engineer to report upon the cost of doing the work.
Voted, that Kilby Page be permitted to cart material for filling over the sidewalk at the junction of Fremont street and the Riverway, to fill his abutting land,

under the direction of the Engineer in Charge, provided he repair any damage done to the parkway in a manner satisfactory to said Engineer and give a bond in the usual form to hold the City harmless from all loss, cost, expense or damage arising or growing out of said work.

A communication was received from Thomas Hills containing an offer from himself and Mr. Hayden of a lot of land on the Strandway near K Street, South Boston, for six hundred dollars.

The offer was accepted and it was

Voted, that there be purchased of Thomas Hills and Edward P. Hayden for the purposes of a public park, a certain parcel of land in the City of Boston, situated on and bounded easterly, southerly and westerly by the Strandway, and northerly by a passageway running from K street, and that there be paid to the said Thomas Hills and Edward P. Hayden the sum of six hundred dollars, upon their proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same satisfactory to the City Solicitor, containing the limitation for said purposes; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

An offer of P. F. Mc. Donald to settle land damages for thirty thousand dollars was received and it was,

Voted, that whereas by an Act of this Board, passed May 19. 1892. a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land at or near Talbot and Blue Hill avenues in Dorchester, belonging to several persons and parties, whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to Patrick F. Mc. Donald as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said Patrick F. Mc. Donald the sum of thirty thousand dollars, upon his proving title thereto and giving a

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deed for the same, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor: and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment: said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

A communication from the Boston and Albany Railroad Company, calling attention to the settling of Charlesgate bridge over their railroad tracks, and requesting that the bridge be raised to a height of fifteen feet, was received and it was

Voted, that the City Engineer be authorized to do the work necessary to restore Charlesgate bridge to the height at which it was originally built.

A petition for the location of a bathing establishment and swimming school at Jamaica Pond, signed by Dr. H. P. Bowditch and others was received and refered to the Landscape Architects.

A communication from the Mayor recommending the purchase of a strip of land from Charlesgate West to Lansdowne street, for an electric car route, for $18,000 was received and refered to the Chairman to confer with the Mayor regarding the purchase of an easement instead of the fee in a part of the land.

A communication from W. E. Stowe to Mr. Walker regarding the offer to the City of a bronze fountain by Anne Whitney, was submitted by him to the Board.

Mr. Olmsted reported upon the question of a site for the fountain recommending that it be placed on the terrace to be built in connection with the Refectory Building at Pine Bank, and on motion of Genl. Walker it was,

Voted, that the location recommended by the Landscape Architects be approved, and that the donors be notified of the acceptance of the fountain and the approval of the site.

The request of J. A. Clapp, Adjutant Post 32. G. A. R.

Encampment that certain laborers be allowed pay while attending the late G. A. R. encampment at Pittsburg, also request of Thomas McC. Nancy for compensation for time lost while attending the G. A. R. Encampment, were received and the Engineer in Charge was authorized to allow pay as requested.

On the request of William L. Anderson for a location to haul up and store boats at the foot of K. street, it was

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge provide in the contract for filling the Roadway for the temporary hauling out of boats at the foot of K street as requested by Mr. Anderson.

Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board passed April 30, 1890, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston, by taking in fee certain parcels of land belonging to several persons and parties, whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to the Heirs of Jeremiah Brown, as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to Georgiana B. Pattee, Charlotte Brown, Charles H. Pattee, executor of the will of Elizabeth Brown, and Sarah A. Brown, the sum of three thousand dollars, upon their proving title thereto, and upon the giving of a deed of the same by the said Georgiana B. Pattee, Charlotte Brown and Sarah A. Brown, conveying the whole of the building situated partly on the land taken and partly on their remaining land, and including all the covenants, agreements, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of Public Park deed for the Parkway, South Boston, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

October 8. A communication was sent to the Board of Aldermen replying to its request for a report on the feasibility of extending the parkway from the junction of Cottage and Boston streets through Boston & Columbia streets to Franklin Park.

A communication was received from the Superintendent of Streets stating that the work on Commonwealth Avenue will be finished at an expenditure of about seventy three thousand dollars of which the sum of twenty eight thousand dollars is chargeable to the furnishing of the Telford and crushed stone, and the matter was refered to the Chairman to obtain a credit of said amount of twenty eight thousand dollars from the loan for Crushed Stone for street improvements if possible.

Voted, that the Roslindale Cycle Club be permitted to pass through Arnold Arboretum from South street to Centre street, by the most direct route on the occasion of its open ten mile road race October 13. 1894.

A communication from the Police Department relating to placing patrol boxes in the public parks was received, and the Secretary was directed to inquire what the cost would be of locating the boxes recommended by the Engineer in Charge.

A communication from F. M. Stetson regarding the work necessary to be done in the removal of the Boston Yacht Club house to the new site on the Strandway was received and laid on the table.

The order of the City Council requesting that arrangements be made for a visit of the City Council to inspect the various parks which comprise the park system, also communication from Mr. F. L. Olmsted in reference thereto, were taken from the table and refered to the Chairman to make arrangements for the proposed visit.

Geo. F. Clarke.
Sec'y.

Boston, October, 15. 1894.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2. P. M.

Present Messrs. Sprague, Walker and Andrew. Also present Messrs Jackson, Howe & Eliot. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

A communication from the Superintendent of Streets regarding the drainage of Centre Street at the park-way, and a report on the matter by the Engineer in charge was received and the Secretary was directed to ask the opinion of the Corporation Counsel, as to how far the Board is responcible under the statement of the case as shown by the correspondence and what are its rights in the matter.

A communication from the City Architect relating to the putting in of the foundations for the Head house and pier, and the cutting off the present pier in order to do said work, was received and the Secretary was directed to reply that there is no objection to its being done, provided the Contractor builds a temporary way down the beach with steps as an approach to the pier, as provided in the contract.

A communication from the Water Income Department relating to bills for street and park watering was received and placed on file.

Voted: that the offer of the Superintendent of Streets to allow thirty five hundred dollars for paving blocks and sixty one hundred dollars for material removed from Commonwealth avenue, be accepted and that the Chairman arrange with Mr. Carter for payment of bills to said amounts.

A communication was received from William A. Bancroft concerning the claim of John J. Fitzgerald against James D. Fallon & Co. contractors for building the foot bridge at Leverett Park. Also notice from the City Clerk that the claim had been filed in accordance with the provisions of the Contract, and the Secretary was directed to obtain the opinion of the Corporation

October 15. counsel as to what course the Board should pursue in the matter.

Messrs F. D. Braman and J. H. Storer, Trustees of the Boston Water Power Company, came before the Board with reference to the proposed taking by the City of a strip of land between Charlesgate West and Sandsdowne street to serve as a way for electric cars to pass through the Fens. They submitted a copy of the proposition which had been made by them to the City through the Mayor in reference to a release of the land for eighteen thousand dollars on certain conditions, a copy of which proposition is on file.

In answer to a question by Genl. Walker as to the securing of an easement of the right of way over the land instead of the fee, they stated that if an easement were taken about four feet additional width would be required which would offset in some degree the saving in cost. They were not prepared to submit a definite offer in case an easement were taken but would do so if the Board desired it.

Mr. Carruth came before the Board to ask its concurrence to the taking by the Metropolitan Park Commissioners for the Stony Brook Reservation. The Board concurred in the said taking as follows:

"Know all men by these Presents,
"That Whereas, the Metropolitan Park Commission, duly
"established under and by virtue of an act of the Legis-
"lature of Massachusetts, being Chapter 407 of the Acts
"of the year 1893, has taken with the concurrence of
"and in consultation with the proper local board,
"being the Board of Park Commissioners for the City
"of Boston, in the County of Suffolk in said Common-
"wealth, and for the purposes defined in said act,
"certain real estate referred to or described in the taking
"to which this instrument is annexed, dated this day,
"these presents being hereby made a part thereof, which
"real estate lies in said Boston, and is shown upon
"a plan, marked 'Metropolitan Park Commissioners'

" "Plan No. 15," to be recorded herewith.
" Now, Therefore, the said Board of Park Com-
" missioners for said City of Boston, all duly chosen,
" qualified and acting, doth hereby join in and
" signify its approval of said taking and its con-
" currence with the said Metropolitan Park Commission
" therein, and in every act, matter and thing con-
" nected therewith.
" Witness our hands this sixth day of September
" A. D. 1894. Charles F. Sprague.
Francis A. Walker.
John F. Andrew. "

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston, October, 22. 1894.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at one P. M.
Present Messrs Sprague, Walker and Andrew, also present Mr. E. W. Howe.
The record of the last meeting was read and approved.
A communication from the Mayor calling attention to the rate of speed of the electric cars where they cross the parkway at Tremont street, suggesting that regulations be made to limit the speed, was received and referred to the Chairman for reply, also to request the Railroad Company to limit the speed of its cars at this point to four miles per hour.

A communication from William E. Stowe relating to the transfer of the bronze fountain given by him and others to the City was received and placed on file.

An opinion of the Corporation Counsel on the question between the Board and the Boston Yacht Club as to the removal of its club house was received and the matter was referred to the Engineer in Charge to confer with the club and report as

October 22. to an agreement.

A communication from the Boston Water Board regarding the laying of water pipes at Marine Park was received and placed on file.

A communication was receind from the City Architect stating that the contract for Head House at Marine Park, does not provide for the removal of the wooden pier, and it was

Voted, to close the pier on account of the work of construction and that the Architect be authorized to make an arangement with the contractors to remove the part of the pier which is to be replaced, and to make a proper connection between the old and new work, with the understanding that they be not required to maintain a temporary way to the pier until the first of March 1896.

The Board estimated the expense of taking sundry lands in that part of the City of Boston, which was formerly West Roxbury, for a public park as follows:

Heirs or devisees of Thomas P. Williams	410.844	sq. ft.	6.163.00
" " " " " "	976.088	"	19.700.00
Sarah M. Pratt.	35.946	"	629.00
" " "	58.078	"	726.00
Heirs or Devisees of Geo. W. Goldsmith.	801.557	"	6.012.00
Alice Williams.	10.159	"	127.00
" "	13.654	"	} 342.00
" "	27	"	
Aaron D. Weld & Francis C. Welch, Tr's.	700.834	"	5.256.00
Benjamin C. Clark.	328.795	"	4.110.00
Area in Weld & Centre streets (56.102 ft.)	3,335.982.		$ 43.065.00

and passed the following Act of taking:

See Book 8.